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## News Briefs

### Holiday Hours Announced

The Crawford County Courthouse, the Grayling City Hall, and Grayling Township offices will be closed Thursday, Dec. 24, Friday, Dec. 25, and Friday, Jan. 1.

The Grayling and Frederic post offices will be open regular hours Thursday, Dec. 24, and will close Friday, Dec. 25, and Friday, Jan. 1.

The Avalanche office will close at noon Christmas Eve and will be closed Friday, Dec. 25, and Friday, Jan. 1.

### Baby-sitting Short Course Offered By Cooperative Extension

The Cooperative Extension Service is sponsoring a Baby-sitting Short Course. This course is scheduled for Tuesdays, January 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th, and it will be held in the cafeteria of the Grayling Middle School from 3:15-4:30. This course is for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students.

Classes will include basic infant and child care, emergencies, first aid, and baby-sitter responsibilities. To register for this course, please call the Cooperative Extension Service at 348-2841, Ext. 264.

### Historical Museum Donation

In the spirit of the holiday season, perhaps you would like to make a donation to the museum to help with costs of heating during the winter months and for any other expenses incurred in order to preserve the heritage of our county.

Donation for the Crawford County Historical Museum

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## Hanson Hills Opens Downhill Slopes Dec. 23

The second major snowfall of the season last weekend covered the bare ground at the top of the ski slope and assured the opening of Hanson Hills on December 23.

Scott Remsing, park director said that the wind blew much of the heavy snow off of the top of the hill during last week's storm. "We are moving some of the snow at the bottom of the hill up to the top," Remsing said, "but it is slow going and more natural snow would help."

The cross country trails are now open, Remsing said, and they have been rolled for those who enjoy the popular skating technique. The trails are open seven days a week during daylight hours, he noted. This year each of the six trails will be both tracked and rolled so that each type of cross country skiing can be enjoyed, he commented.

Last year a large number of ski equipment packages were purchased, Remsing said, and we have added to that number this year. The Elan skis, Nordica boots and look-integral bindings are some of the finest packages available; he observed. There should be no problem in obtaining rental

equipment regardless of the size of the crowd, he said.

Holiday hours for the slopes are December 23rd, 11 a.m.-10 p.m., December 24, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., December 25, Closed, December 26-30, 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. and December 31, 11 a.m. until 5 p.m., January 1-2, 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. and January 3, 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. After that regular winter hours will prevail, Remsing said.

Remsing said that the season shows promise of being an excellent one if the recent snow is any sample. He noted that the early membership drive was encouraging with many new members. Memberships are available, he said, at a cost of \$135 for a family, \$55 for an individual and \$25 for cross country only. For non-residents the cost is \$160 for a family, \$70 for an individual and \$30 for cross country.

Daily tickets this year have been consolidated so that the prices are less confusing, Remsing said. A ticket from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. is \$6.50 for children and \$8.50 for adults. From 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. the cost is \$4 for children and \$5 for adults. From 6 un-

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## Santa Spotted Preparing To Deliver Toys Here

By Don Geiss

Bright lights, noise, hammering, snorting, jingling bells and loud talk at Santa's Workshop means that he is almost ready to take off on his annual trip to leave toys to good little girls and boys.

According to the Avalanche roving reporter at the North Pole, each year the activity builds for weeks before Santa's trip and this year there seems to be more things going on than usual. He said that neighbors believe the extra activity means that Santa has more toys to deliver this year than ever before.

Last week, it was reliably reported that the reindeer had been taken from their stalls and had begun exercising for the long trip. They have been heard all week long as they clomp around the yard and snort. Generally, neighbors say, the reindeer start pawing the ground when it gets close to the time when they are supposed to be hooked up to the sleigh.

The neighbors can also tell when the sleigh is being loaded because the doors to the storage shed and workshop keeps banging as the elves go back and forth to pick up

another load and pile it in the yard. Apparently, they say, certain elves only carry while others have the job of loading the sleigh. They guess that it must take special training to be able to put everything in the right place so that every inch of space on the sleigh is taken up.

The on-the-scene reporter stated that Santa's voice can be heard very often now. Earlier in the month while some of the preparations were taking place, Santa was often away keeping track of good little boys and girls. When the time gets close to Christmas Eve he stays at the workshop where he can personally oversee the loading.

Santa also spot checks the toys to make certain they are really finished or have not been broken while they were being stored. When he finds one that needs a little more attention, he calls out loudly for a repair elf. The reporter can hear the repair elf reply "I'm coming Santa", in his high squeaky voice. He must leave the repair shop door open, the reporter said because his hammering can be clearly heard.

A little while ago Mrs. Claus could be  
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## Christmas Services

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Dec. 24 — 5:30 p.m. - Midnight  
Mass  
Dec. 25 — 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Mass of Christmas

St. Francis Episcopal Church  
Dec. 20 — 10:30 a.m. - Children's  
Christmas Play  
Dec. 24 — 8:00 p.m. - Christmas  
Eve Holy Eucharist. Nursery  
care will be provided.

St. John Lutheran Church  
Dec. 24 — 5:00 p.m. - Christmas  
Vespers Service  
7:30 p.m. - Candlelight  
Holy Communion Service

Calvary Baptist  
Dec. 25 — 7:30 p.m. Service  
Grayling Assembly of God  
Dec. 31 — 8:30-12:00 Midnight  
New Year's Eve Service  
Grayling Free Methodist Church  
Dec. 24 — 7:00 p.m. - Christmas  
Eve Candlelighting Service

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church  
Dec. 20 — 11 a.m. Children's Pro-  
gram  
Dec. 24 — 7 p.m. - Christmas Eve  
Worship  
Dec. 25 — 10 a.m. - Christmas Day  
Celebration  
Dec. 31 — 7 p.m. - New Year's Eve  
Worship

Michelson Memorial United  
Methodist Church  
Dec. 24 — 6:30 & 8:00 p.m. - Christ-  
mas Eve Candlelight Service  
with the Senior & Hand Bell  
Choirs at the 6:30 Service and Solo  
by Allen Morford at 8:00 p.m.

## All County Slopes, Ski Trails Open

All six main cross-country ski trail systems in Crawford County are open following a Dec. 15th snowstorm. Skyline downhill ski slopes are also open and Hanson Hills (see related article) opens Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Skyline, in Beaver Creek Twp., had six slopes open as of Dec. 21. Skyline is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. everyday and after Christmas will open Wednesday and Saturday night 6:30-10 p.m. The Skyline cafeteria is open and rental equipment is available. Instructional classes are also offered.

Forbush Corners, off County Rd. 612, has 8-10 inches of packed snow and offers 16 miles of groomed trails that also hook up with Hartwick Pines State Park trails. There's also a one kilometer trail under lights. Forbush opens after daylight and closes when skiers are finished at night. Forbush has rental equipment, a ski shop, and offers clinics and lessons.

The Cross Country Ski Shop, behind the Holiday Inn, has 3 miles of trails open free to the public. The ski shop is open 9-6 weekdays and 10-6 weekends. Rental equipment, lessons, and free maps to area ski trails are offered.

North Higgins Lake State Park, Hartwick Pines State Park, and the Mason Tract trails are open. Hanson Hills also has open cross-country trails.

## Early Deadlines Announced For Holiday Issues

The Crawford County Avalanche office will be closed at noon Thursday, Dec. 24, and Friday, Dec. 25, for Christmas, and Friday, Jan. 1, for New Year's Day. Because of the holidays, deadlines for advertisements and news items will be moved to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, for the Thursday, Dec. 31st issue and 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, for the Thursday, Jan. 7th issue.



**BIG SNOWMAN** — This snowman built by Nicole (right) and Randy Laundre was still big on Friday, Dec. 18, the day of this photograph, but it measured 9 feet to the top of the head on Wednesday, Dec. 16, the day it was made. (Jon Thompson Photo)



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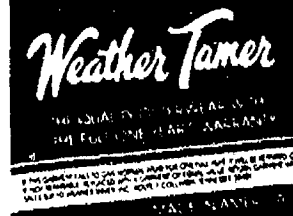
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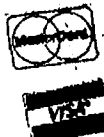
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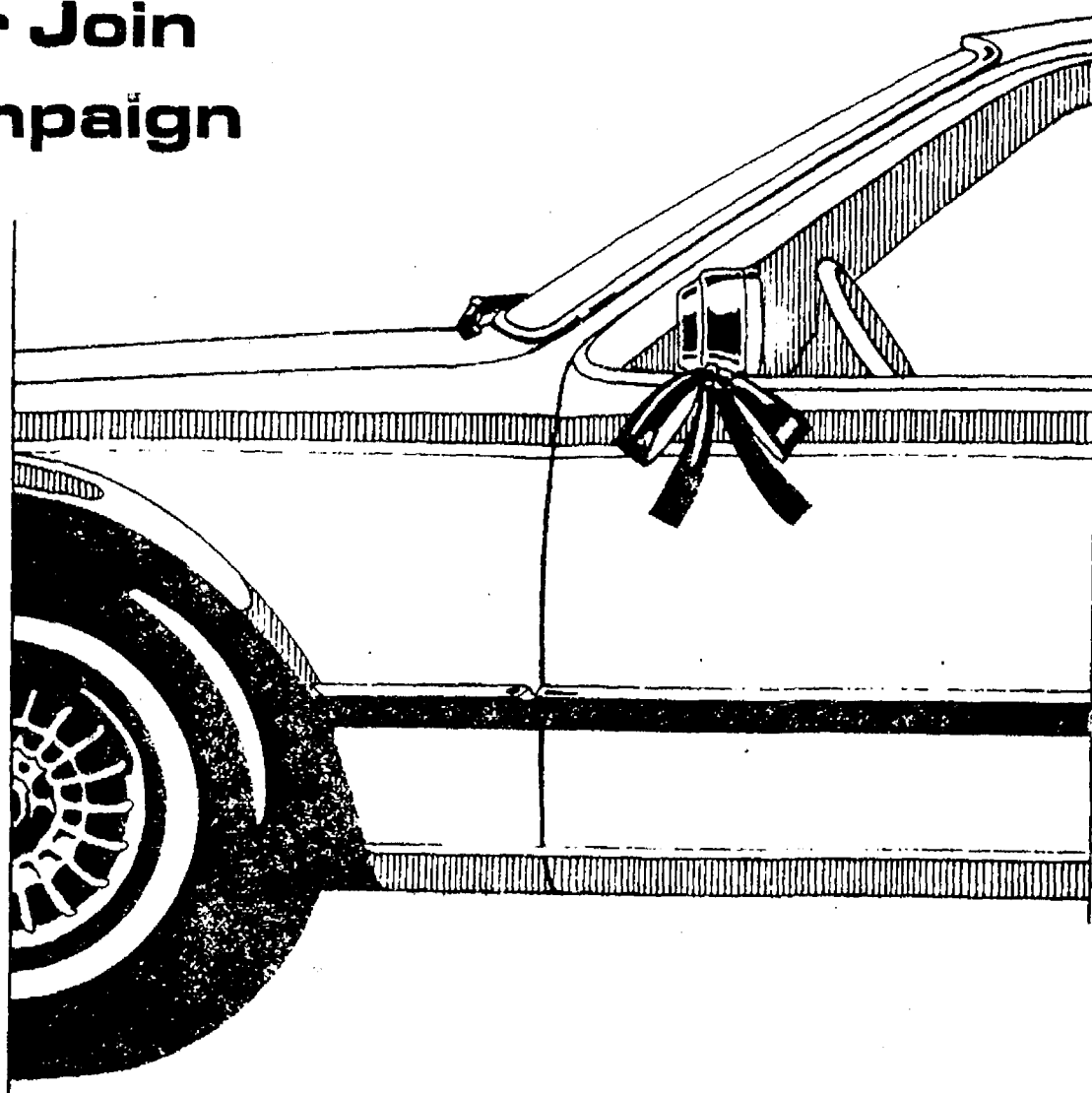


## Local Police Agencies, SADD Chapter Join 'Tie One On' Campaign

In a campaign to encourage sober driving, the Grayling City Police and Crawford Co. Sheriff Dept. will join the local students Against Drunk Driving (SADD), in a state holiday campaign called "Tie One On." The idea is to tie a bright red ribbon to the antenna, left door handle, or outside mirror of a vehicle during the Christmas and New Year's holiday season, indicating that the driver supports these agencies in eliminating drunk driving.

Alcohol continues to be involved in nearly half of all fatal traffic crashes in the state. Last year, more than 800 people were killed in state alcohol-related traffic crashes.

Additionally, police would like to remind the driving public that in the event they should find they have consumed more than a safe amount of revelry and feel their capabilities to operate a vehicle safely have been affected, patrol units will transport them to their homes if requested. The City Police will take city residents home and the Sheriff Dept. will take other county residents home.



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til 10 p.m. the cost is the same as the day-time fee. The Monday night adults only fee is \$5.

Instruction classes will begin after the holidays, Remsing said, with adults beginning on January 4 from 7-9 p.m. and children over five being held on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 6-8 p.m. He noted that the \$35 price for the six session instruction includes an hour free skiing every night of the class. He noted that each night there is a different class so the youngster who attends, for instance, the Tuesday class does so every Tuesday for six weeks. He advised that an application be filled out immediately because the classes are filling rapidly.

ly.

Other special classes to be held at the slope include; fourth and fifth grade downhill skiing instruction beginning January 11 sponsored by the Grayling Youth Booster Club, and the Downhill Ski Race Clinic, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, February 14, 21 and 28, free entry sponsored by Grayling State Bank. The instruction will be held for separate age groups and ribbon races will be held on each clinic date. Trophies for high overall winners will be awarded after the last race on February 28. Those interested should sign up at Hanson Hills now.

Special events to be held this winter include the Michigan National Guard biathlon training on January 9-10, Michigan Cup Marathon, January 23, Special Olympics Winter training day, January 27, Winter Carnival February 6-7 and Special Olympics Fun Day, February 18.

### Correction

In the December 17th Avalanche article on school millage, Crawford AuSable Board of Education vice-president H. Ann Stephenson's name was misspelled. The Avalanche apologizes for the mistake.

### Perry To Serve on Academy Selection Group

Washington, D.C. - Congressman Bill Schuette announced that Steve Perry of Grayling and five others recently appointed to serve on Schuette's Academy Selection Committee, will meet Tuesday, December 8th at Central Michigan Community Hospital to interview candidates seeking congressional nomination to the U.S. Service Academies.

Each U.S. Representative and Senator can have five cadets at each of the three service academies (Naval, Air Force and Military) at any one time.

### Weather

Courtesy of C.F. Fick

Dec.	HI	Lo	Snow
15	33	26	11.0
16	29	23	13.0
17	25	19	11.0
18	30	18	10.0
19	33	19	9.0
20	33	25	13.0
21	34	22	11.0

Eleven inches new snow on Dec. 15, Six inches new snow on Dec. 20 a.m., both wet and heavy.

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heard telling Santa and the elves to stop for a few minutes to eat. Old timers in the area have agreed that eating takes second place during the last week to getting everything ready for the trip. They have decided, because they can hear clanking that sounds like knives and forks hitting together, that everyone eats in the yard. The neighbors have guessed that the food is set out on a long table and everyone makes a hasty sandwich or slurps down a fast bowl of soup.

Now as the time draws close the Avalanche special reporter has drawn attention to the fact that the reindeer have indeed begun pawing the ground. He also commented that bells can be heard jingling more often and it is believed that they are now being strung on the reindeer themselves. Readers will recall that last week, it was reported that the bells were placed on the sleigh. Many persons questioned the reliability of that report because, they said, the bells are put on the reindeer and not the sleigh. The roving reporter explained that what he meant was that the bells are hung on the sleigh temporarily so that they can be straightened out and checked to see if the clappers are working.

Once the reindeer are readied for the trip the bells are switched to hang on their harnesses. That was the sound recently heard by the reporter. He said that everyone is waiting in their backyards this morning be-

cause Santa always takes the animals and sleigh up for a test drive on the morning before he takes off on the worldwide trip. He said that the test drive is a little late this morning and again the neighbors believe it is because there are so many toys to deliver this year. They say that it takes the elves just that much longer to load them.

We asked the roving reporter to stay in position as close to the workshop yard as he is permitted so that he could see Santa take off on the test flight. His story on the flight was radioed to us just before we went to press and it goes something like this. The sleigh springs squeaked as Santa climbed aboard. He rattled the harness and asked if everyone was clear of the takeoff area. When he was told that all was clear, he shouted to each of the reindeer by name to get ready for the test.

Then he was heard to say "up, up and away." Off they headed into the sky the reporter said, and circled low over the nearby houses. The neighbors all waved to him and he waved back as he was heard to ho, ho, ho in that jolly laugh of his. The reindeer glided back to the ground and Santa was understood to say that everything is all right for the trip on Christmas Eve.

The Crawford County Avalanche and all the people who work there join with Santa in wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas.

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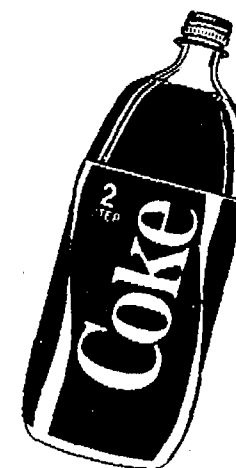
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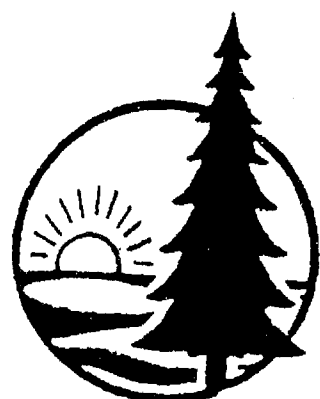
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# Opinions

## Northern Views

By Jon Thompson



Oh Great Santa Claus, here are some gifts that would really make you a hit in Crawford County. Just be sure not to let anyone know I gave you these ideas.

**TO MEMBERS OF A LOCAL FAT CLUB** — A scale that beeps to warn you if someone tries to sneak a foot on it to increase your weight.

**TO THE NATIONAL GUARD** — New silent helicopters. The only noise they make is a musical chime that goes off when you open a door at 2000 feet.

**THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** — A magic unifying potion. It brings together splinter groups as easily as rolling packy snow into a big ball.

**TO JR. PRO BASKETBALL PLAYERS** — A large Master Lock to lock some of the more obnoxious parents at home during games. Then the young children could have more fun learning the game without parents yelling at them.

**TO TAILGATERS** — People who tailgate on ice or snow-covered roads are especially inconsiderate and dangerous. Under their Christmas tree they deserve a jack-in-the-box that punches them when they open it, and then the jack-in-the-box attaches to their rear ends and follows them closely, kicking them constantly.

**TO ATV USERS WHO TRESPASS** — Drag them behind their vehicles over all terrains.

**TO HANSON HILLS** — They already received their Christmas wish with the two snowstorms that will open the downhill

slopes Dec. 23. Another nice gift would be a small earthquake or upheaval that would push the hill 100 feet higher and turn the main slope north so the snow stays on it longer.

**TO LAKE MARGRETHE** — A step back about 60 years ago when there was only one year-round house on its shores. Maybe this time the lake would develop with a little bit of thought behind it.

**TO HARTWICK PINES** — A little respect, as Rodney would say. The park attracts about 200,000 visitors a year, yet some county residents overlook how important this is to this tourist area.

**TO A GRAYLING NATIVE** — He wants to see a baseball glove hanging on the handrails of a Grayling youngster the way it always was here during the 60's. Back then there was a baseball game at Henig's field every day during warm weather.

**TO THE PAPER DOLLS** — Let them win the Michigan Lottery instead of the lottery to see who has to stuff newspapers into the large section of Royal Oak envelopes.

We still have "The Best of Crawford County in 1987" blank forms at the Avalanche office. Response has been pretty good so far. Two early leaders are Paul Lerg for Best Dressed Man and Irv McIsaac as Funniest Person.

You don't have to fill in all the blanks. Just return the forms to the Avalanche by December 31 to have your vote counted.

## Letters to the Editor

### Camp Grayling Asks Townships To Work With Them To Solve Training Complaints

(The following letter was sent by Camp Grayling Commander Richard Schmidt to several area townships).

Please consider this our request to have a representative or representatives of Camp Grayling attend one or your meetings in the near future, to discuss matters that may be of mutual concern to members of your Township Board or residents of the Township.

It is the strong and earnest desire of the leadership of Camp Grayling, and of the officials of the Michigan National Guard, to respect and protect the interests of this area of Northern Michigan and the entire State. We believe that with careful planning and management, the goals of training for our nation's defense, and the preservation of the environment and quality of life in the areas in and around Camp Grayling, can and will be achieved. In fact, we are proud to have taken an active hand as citizens and soldiers in constructive and caring actions to enhance our environment. The following paragraphs contain a brief description of some of the measures that are being taken, to reach these important goals that we all share.

a. The AuSable and Manistee River regions and our lakes, forests and wildlife are valuable, sensitive and irreplaceable resources. The National Guard has no plans for conducting any river operations or rafting, in the coming years, nor have they in 1987. Also, by voluntary agreement with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the Guard has agreed to keep vehicular traffic at least 200 feet from the banks of these rivers, even though there are no federal or state regulations requiring this. River operations are not part of the Guard's training plans.

b. Camp Grayling has taken positive action to designate controlled flight corridors, away from major lakes, populated areas, or sensitive areas. As a result, we can report to you that civilian complaints of aircraft noise and low-flying aircraft were substantially reduced in 1987. Minimum altitude levels over built-up areas have been established, and are enforced at all command levels; channeling flights away from populated areas has also reduced the number of complaints.

c. There are no plans at all to permanently station a division-sized unit at Camp Grayling, nor anywhere in Michigan, either by the Michigan National Guard or by any other military organization. Camp Grayling, as it is now situated, accommodates a division for training, and has done so, infrequently, for the past thirty-five years. (The 38th Division trains at Camp Grayling only every two or three years.)

d. For the safety and protection of citizens, Camp Grayling has taken steps to fence the danger areas of three of its firing ranges. DNR closure orders have been received for Ranges 13, 30, and 40. Ranges 13 and 40 are fenced now, and Range 30 will be fenced soon. This is so that civilians are not endangered by firing, and to protect them from unexploded ammunition (duds) that may be in the area. Security inspections frequently reveal that protective fences and signs are removed or destroyed, and that recreational vehicles have left tracks into these dangerous areas.

e. New electronic technology has enabled the Guard to conduct range firing in ways that will reduce noise and vibration, and use less live ammunition. A newly-developed

Multi-Purpose Range Complex (MPRC) is planned to be installed that will permit electronic control of targets located further inside the range than current targets. This will serve to lessen noise and impact. This range can be a "good neighbor" and complaints of vibration and noise should decrease dramatically.

f. Camp Grayling leadership is taking positive measures to acknowledge and respond to complaints from its neighbors, and to reduce the need for those complaints. In the summer of 1987, a full-time officer, Lieutenant Colonel Melvin "Pat" Nunn, of Grayling, was appointed to receive, investigate, and remedy those situations brought to his attention. Plans are now being made to assign a full-time officer for environmental control, who will work with visiting commands to improve matters of environmental concern. He will follow up matters of tree damage, improper refuse disposal, or vehicles being out of assigned training areas or routes, as well as soil erosion or water pollution.

g. Camp Grayling is a good neighbor, and performs a vital role in preparing soldiers for the defense of our state, nation and free world. Our full-time staff nearly all live in Grayling or in the surrounding communities. Their families attend the churches and schools that you do, and spend their paychecks in your neighborhood. They pay taxes in your community to support vital services. In brief, as good citizens, they share the same concerns you do. Therefore, visiting units will be encouraged and monitored, to use this area's valuable resources with the same care required of us all.

Let me assure you that, as Camp Commander, I am

well aware that there are legitimate complaints and concerns in the community about some aspects of our training. I am committed to removing the causes of these complaints wherever possible, and in minimizing their effects. Your positive ideas and concerns are vital and

important to me. I look forward to working with you in this effort in the coming months.

For the Adjutant General of Michigan:

Richard K. Schmidt  
COL, AR, MI ARNG  
Commander

### Before You Criticize Try Living Next To Bombing Range

In answer to Richard and Katherine Daniels' Letter:

Just want to thank you for your letter to the Avalanche. It sure did verify the point we have been making, if you can hear the artillery firing in Roscommon, then you must realize what we are putting up with on Co. Rd. 612, in Lovells Township. Just think about this for a minute — If there was an explosion in Roscommon, so bad, that we heard it up here, then I do not believe there would be too much left of Roscommon!

It is just too bad that you are not here for all the rest of the "fun things" that you know nothing about. The vibrating house, the swinging drapes, the rattling dishes, the planes just missing our antenna, the tanks in our backyard. If what we see up here in the midst of it all, is

training to protect our country, then we might just as well throw in the towel.

As for being newcomers, yes! Six years, and it has gotten worse each year. (Of course the Guards are not expanding!) We will always be newcomers because the "so-called Locals" only want our tax dollars and spending money, but they don't want us. Not one Real Estate dealer even mentioned the Guards to us when we were looking for property. But, that is fine. We are more than glad to share the nights, the trails, the roads, and everything with them, but they seem to want it all.

The next time you decide to criticize, remember this, Don't judge me till you have walked in my shoes!

Very sincerely,

Julia Ganun

### Voting Against Anyone Opposing National Guard

To those persons who complain about the noise made by the National Guard in the summer:

You people bought your

property and built your homes here despite the noise. You knew the National Guard trained here, but you chose to live here anyway.

Maybe you people would prefer to go back to the Detroit area where you can fear for your lives in a different manner! The Guards were here then and they will be here when you are gone. Furthermore, you are forgetting the jobs created for local citizens by the Guards being here all year-round. Are you afraid of work? I will continue to vote against anyone opposing the National Guard.

One Who Couldn't Keep Silent Any Longer!  
C. Harris  
Grayling resident since 1971

### Can't Believe All Motels Here Don't Join Chamber of Commerce

We have been reading the Avalanche here in Florida for the last 13 years, and read it page by page every week... and always find something interesting and items that spark lively conversation in our household.

The recent headline that motels decide not to join the Chamber really caught our eye! I am not much for writing to Editors, but this article made me so angry that I am sure my face turned all colors of the rainbow. To think that the motels in a recreational and resort area such as Grayling and Crawford County do not think a Chamber of Commerce is of benefit to them is just a little short of asinine. Perhaps they have their reasons and seemingly just cause, but I find it impossible to follow their line of reasoning. I have been out of the marketplace for too long a time, but if I had the stamina and energy, and was in better health, there is nothing I would like better than to accept the challenge and run right back to Grayling to once again become the Executive Manager of the Crawford County Chamber

of Commerce.

What happened to all the programs the Chamber once had... the fine county-wide brochure that we had printed by the thousands and distributed all over the Midwest? What happened to the program of Crawford County maps that helped to sing the praises of Crawford County all over the Midwest? What happened to the Travel Show Program and the weekly news bulletins that were sent to the news media, radio and TV stations throughout the Midwest extolling the virtues of our trout waters, canoeing, snowmobiling, and other sports? What happened to the fine relationship between the governmental entities and the Chamber? What has happened to the fine relationship between the community and the military?

All we read about is the differences and the bickerings between groups. All these programs we mentioned were viable and going when we left the Chamber. What happened in the last 13 years to change everything? Your retail, wholesale, and industrial base has increased by a wide margin. Every new business that has started in Crawford County should be Chamber members and your programs should be such that they can't afford not to be members. Your civic, governmental, and business leaders should all be pulling together for the common good of the community, and the base of such activity should be your Chamber of Commerce office.

Now, this middle-aged gentleman is running out of steam... but before I do... I want to say... YOU HAVE WHAT I CONSIDER THE NEAREST THING TO UTOPIA... AND THAT IS CRAWFORD COUNTY. I also would like to state to two people that I have never met, but would enjoy meet-

ing... to Don Geiss — I'm the man, if you could use a person on a chain saw that uses a cane and a wheelchair... to Susan Boegner — I'll walk with you, if you have a trail that can be used with a cane and wheelchair.

So, come on Grayling and Crawford County, get with it! Hire a Chamber Manager

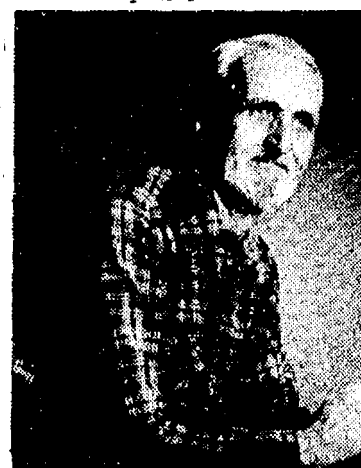
who can look to the future, bring factions together, and make the Chamber Office a vital scene once again. Give that person your 100% support. What goes around, comes around... Everyone benefits.

Earl H. "Chum" Longworth  
Bayonet Pt.,  
Florida

## Ponderings

### Crawford County — A Great Place To Live

By Don Geiss



For almost a year we have been writing this column and have taken a "poke" at some things and praised others. Now with the Christmas season upon us, it seems appropriate to set a record straight.

Just because we are down on some aspects of community activity does not in the least imply that we are unhappy with the place we live. We recall many years ago when we were weekend commuters that our family literally cried when it came time to head back to southern Michigan.

The first chance we had to move here the step was taken with lots of joy. That first year, our cabin was weathered in to make it livable during the snow of winter. It was a labor of love because we knew that never again would we be forced to leave and go back down below to work for another week before returning to the place we love.

People told us that the locals would not accept us because we were not born and reared here. We found that to be a lot of "bull." The answer we found was to get out and join the people in their ventures to make this a fine community in which to live. As a result we have never felt as though we were outcasts or that we could not belong.

It is a wonderful feeling to belong to a community where it is possible to have a shopping area nearby but to be able to leave it all behind and get back to our wooded homelife within a few minutes. It is a com-

fortable feeling to be able to stand at the curbside and wave at friends and acquaintances as they drive by. It would seldom if ever happen in a more populated community.

There is no other place in Michigan where a person who enjoys trout fishing could within a very few minutes be on either one of the two finest trout streams in the state. It is difficult to believe that there is another spot such as ours where we can watch birds, ducks and squirrels from our front window during the day. At night the floodlight shines on raccoons, opossum and flying squirrels. Perhaps the biggest thrill of all comes during the winter when the deer become so accustomed to their feeding station that they come within 20 feet of our front window.

The work too is amazing because on the same day we might find ourselves with an assignment that takes us to a governmental function, later a ribbon cutting for a new business and still later out on a lake or stream with the DNR men.

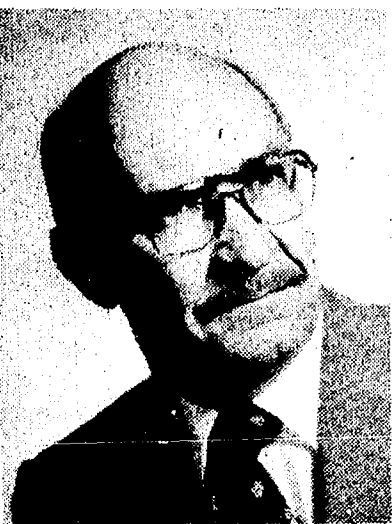
Sure we take some "shots" at businesses and organizations because we believe that nothing is perfect and there are some very selfish things that happen. But let that not fool anyone into thinking that we believe the entire area has problems.

There is no place on earth where we would rather live. We are going to have a very Merry Christmas and certainly hope that all of our readers have a most enjoyable one.

## Almanack

### One Solitary Life...

by Richard Millman



(Editor's Note: The following column first appeared in The Almanack several years ago as a gathering of several appropriate thoughts at Christmas time. This column has appeared during the Christmas season several times during recent years.)

"HERE IS A YOUNG MAN, who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another small village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was 30, and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher.

"He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never put His foot inside a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place He was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but Himself.

"While He was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against Him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to His enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While He was dying, His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had on earth, and that was His coat.

"When He was dead, He was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

"Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure of the human race, and the leader of the column of progress.

"I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched... and all the navies that ever sailed... and all the parliaments that ever sat... and all the kings that ever reigned, put together... have not affected the life of man upon this earth, as has

"That one solitary life."

OF COURSE, I didn't originate that article; I only repeat it from the original and unknown (to me) author. But it seems to me that in a relatively few lines, the story of "One Solitary Life" helps us to add perspective to our activities, especially as we enjoy the holiday season each year.

What we each seek is happiness, each in his or her own form, and happiness comes in many guises. As long as I'm quoting, let me endorse the formula for happiness set down many years ago by Ralph Waldo Emerson:

"A happy life is to laugh often and to love much... to win the respect of intelligent per-

sons and the affection of children... to earn the approbation of honest critics and to endure the betrayal of friends... to appreciate beauty... to find the best in everything... to give one's self... to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition... to have played and laughed with enthusiasm, and to have sung with exaltation... to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived..."

YES, WE NEED a credo, a purpose, a plan to our living, and to our life. We need principles, truth, faith. We need prayer.

One of the most beautiful and touching prayers ever composed is the familiar Prayer of St. Francis:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace... where there is hatred, let me sow love... where there is injury, pardon... where there is doubt, faith... where there is despair, hope... where there is darkness, light... and where there is sadness, joy.

"Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console... to be understood as to understand... to be loved as to love... For it is in giving that we receive... it is in pardoning that we are pardoned... and in dying that we are born to eternal life."

Truly, words to live by.

To all of you, a blessed and joyous holiday season, from The Almanack.

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## A Look At Our Past

23 Years Ago  
December 24, 1964

Dale and Rena Papendick spent the weekend with their grandparents, the F.J. McClains, while their folks went to Bay City and Flint for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Sorenson entertained friends with a 7 o'clock Christmas party at Camp Shoppenagons on the AuSable on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Knight are happy over the arrival of Kristina Marie, weighing 7½ pounds, on December 17. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs.

Charles Ward and Mr. and Mrs. James Roy Knight of Honepath, S.C. Mrs. Elva Ward of Birch Run is a great grandmother.

Cindi Carlson celebrated her 9th birthday anniversary December 22, her mother sending cupcakes to her third grade class in the afternoon to help her celebrate.

Jacquelyn Christian is home from Ferris Institute for the holidays with her parents, the LeRoy Christians.

The Rev. and Mrs. R.C. Puffer are spending the holidays with their daughter Mrs. Gene

Lasier at Troy. They plan to go to Florida later.

The Don Welsers left Thursday for Marine City to spend the holidays visiting his parents, the Harold Welsers, Sr.

Floyd Millikin is a new employee with the City Police.

Miss Kathy Stripe is home from Western Michigan U., Kalamazoo, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stripe.

Sp/4 and Mrs. Richard McLeod are spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wil-

liam McLeod and Jon.

Richard Souders is home from Las Cruces, New Mexico, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Souders. They are all going to Williamston to spend Thursday to Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knutilla and family, Dick returning to his job from there.

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46 Years Ago  
December 25, 1941

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmo of Fred-eric on December 17th. Mrs. Elmo is formerly Ruby Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffman of Alpena arrived Wednesday to spend Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Peterson.

Mrs. Minnie Miller and daughter Francine spent Sunday in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur May and son Skippy are spending Christmas in Rogers City.

Amos Hoesli left for Florida Monday with his sister Mrs. John Mallinger and daughter Pat.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell left Tuesday for Toledo, Ohio, to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Catlin.

Bartlund Eldred of Detroit spent the

weekend with Mrs. Eldred here.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Brady and daughter Veronica of Lansing are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brady, over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cinciala and daughter Mary Ann left Wednesday evening for Bay City to visit relatives until Sunday. Their daughter Joan has been visiting there for the past week.

Corporal Theon Deckrow who is now stationed at New River, North Carolina, with the Marines is home on a furlough to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Deckrow.

Everett Corwin is home from his work in Flint. He expects to return to work January 6th.

Jack and Jerry Lozon are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lozon, in Maple Forest this week.

Miss Virginia Feldhauser and Miss Elsie LaMotte spent the weekend in Lovells visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Feldhauser.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fern of Boyne City and Miss Gertrude Fern of Lake City are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bradley and family.

living Wednesday morning.

Miss Stephane Karpus of Flint is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephan Karpus, over Christmas.

Edward King and Paul Sivrals arrived from Camp Custer Tuesday morning to spend Christmas with relatives.

Miss Mollie Johnson of Saginaw and Carl Johnson of Detroit are spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson.

Charles McCullough arrived Tuesday evening from Detroit to spend Christmas in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne J. Douglas are guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. John C. Failing.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorwald P. Peterson are entertaining Mrs. Peterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Ross and daughter Freda, all of Vassar, over the holidays.

Miss Lena Pond is spending Christmas in Bay City with the A.L. Pond family.

## Letters to the Editor

### \$5 Fine Tied To New 65 MPH Law Will Help Traffic Law Enforcement

In regard to our new 65 MPH speed limit and the \$5.00 dollar surcharge on traffic tickets issued I believe some of the views presented by Mr. Geiss in his "Ponderings" last week need to be addressed with some facts to prevent the readers from being misled or confused.

Mr. Geiss leads the readers to believe our police officers did not enforce the speed limit when it was 55 MPH on I-75. He infers the

new law with its \$5.00 "HOOKER", will cause police officers to abandon law enforcement to issue traffic tickets, because to quote the "Ponderings", "It would appear then that there is a never ending cycle because the more tickets that are issued the more State Police that can be hired and then the more tickets that can be issued and then, etc., etc., etc."

The facts are that the State Police have a present cap of

Troopers. The new law increased that cap by one hundred twenty (120) Troopers. If the Troopers issued just one ticket per year or 1,000 tickets per year the maximum number of Troopers would stay the same.

What the Ponderings failed to mention is that an increase in tickets means an increase in general law enforcement funds due to an already in place law that provides money for training of court and law enforcement personnel through traffic tickets.

Also an increase in traffic law enforcement means a better library system for Crawford County because when tickets are issued in Crawford County some fine money goes to the library system to help improve the quality of life in our community.

The bottom line is, no matter what the speed limit or the fine, those of us who don't speed aren't concerned with a \$5.00 "HOOKER".

Respectfully,  
P. "Mike" O'Grady  
Grayling

## Driver Courtesy Is Important

Dear Sir,  
I would like to thank the Crawford Co. school bus driver who sprayed salt and slush all over me on Fletcher Rd., between Oak Rd. and Old 27 on the afternoon of Dec. 18. If you would have slowed down this would have not happened.

You would not hesitate to turn in a motorist who

doesn't stop for your red flashers (which they should do by law). So why not extend a little courtesy to a person walking or running on the side of the road? Again, thank you for the slush bath and enjoy your holidays.

Paul J. Hill  
Beaver Creek

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Thank you to my many friends for your prayers, and get well wishes during my recent illness. I'm unable to write to all of you personally, but wanted to wish all of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Healthy Happy New Year. May God bless you richly in 1988.

Louise Hartig  
Grayling Health Care Center  
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December 26, 1918

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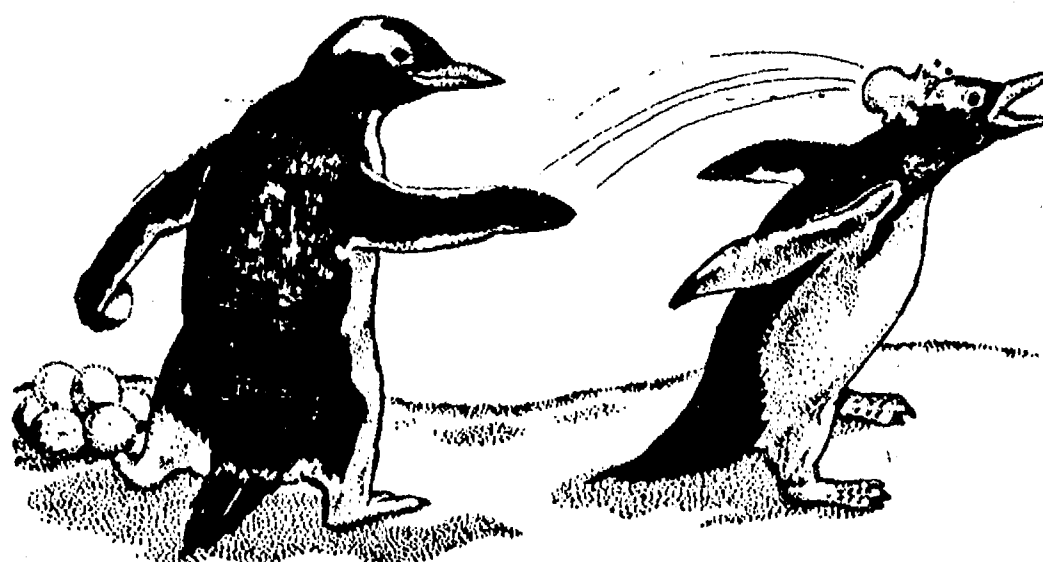
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## 1987 Christmas Home Decorating Winners Named

The Grayling Promotional Association announces the winners of the 1987 Home Decorating Contest.

In the commercial category:

First Place - Grayling State Bank.  
Second Place - Chemical Bank North.  
Third Place - Crawford County Library.

In the Residential Category:

First Place - Lawrence Smith, 110 Crestwood Dr., Grayling Mobile Estates.

Second Place - Dennis M. Kuhn, Shaw Park Road.

Third Place - Kathy Madsen, Molly Lane/off Roberts Rd.

GPA will honor all the winners at one of our luncheon/meetings where at which time they will receive their prizes. Photography by Adams Photography.

## School Notes

Spanish Class: In Spanish class we play adding and subtracting games only we say the numbers in Spanish. We made Christmas cards in Spanish class too. We had to write Merry Christmas in Spanish. Mrs. Brigham gives us worksheets that have words that we study and say. We do plays and skits among groups. Right now we are doing one for bargaining in a Mexican store. We enjoy Spanish very much. Mrs. Brigham is very nice. Feliz Navidad! By: Stacey Austin and Ron Hough.

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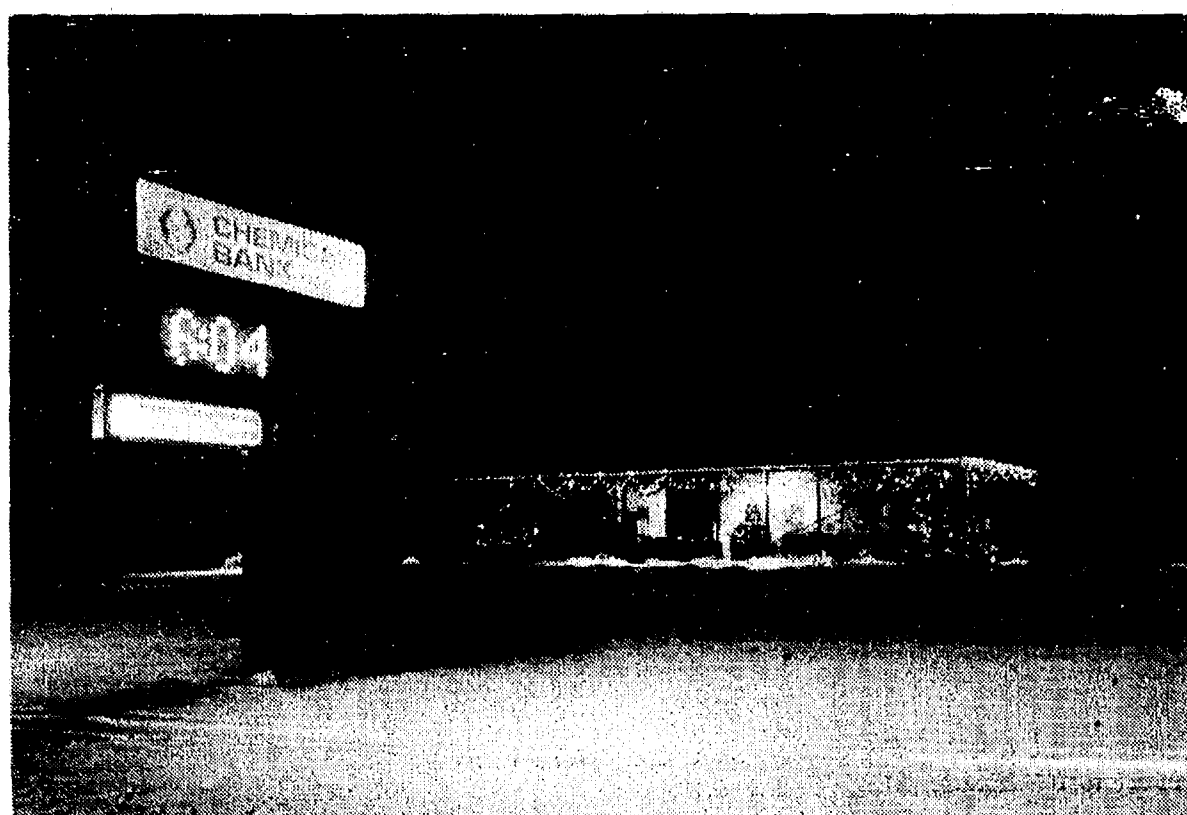
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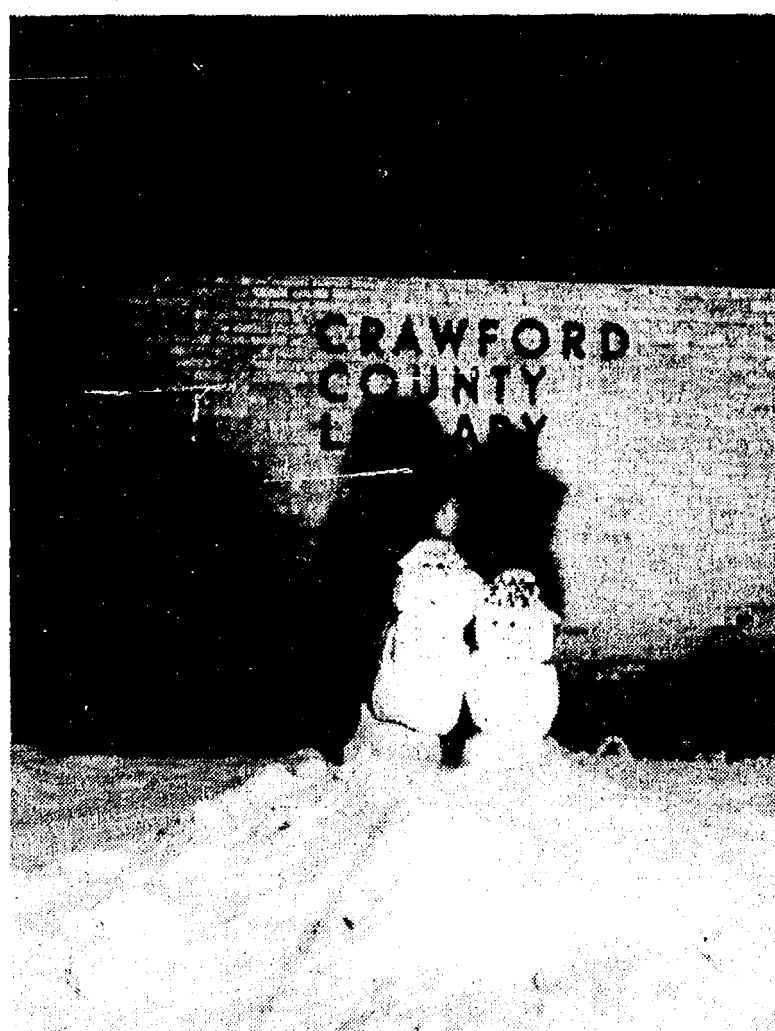
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## 1987 Christmas Home Decorating Winners Named

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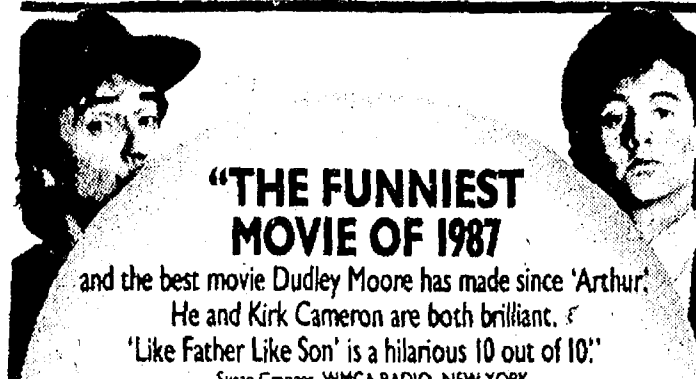
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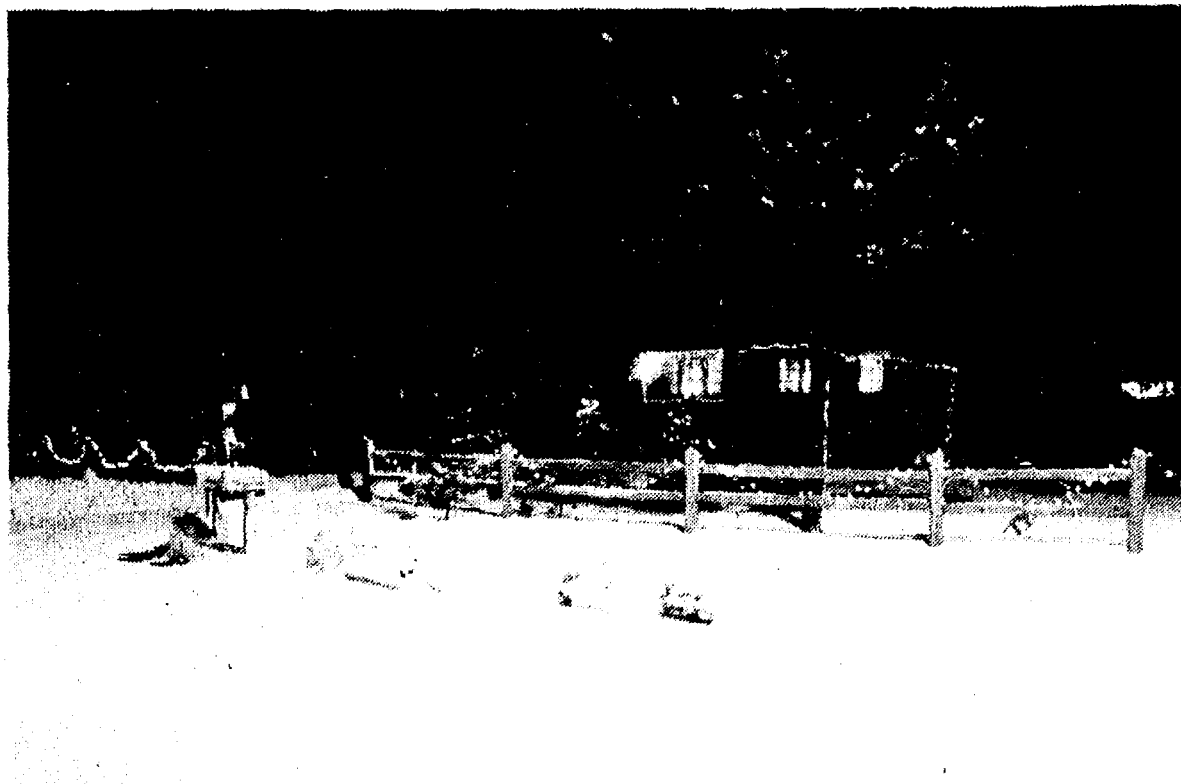
It's an imaginative comedy with wide appeal. Dudley  
Moore is in peak form! —Kevin Thomas, LOS ANGELES TIMES

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Moore

Kirk  
Cameron

**Like Father  
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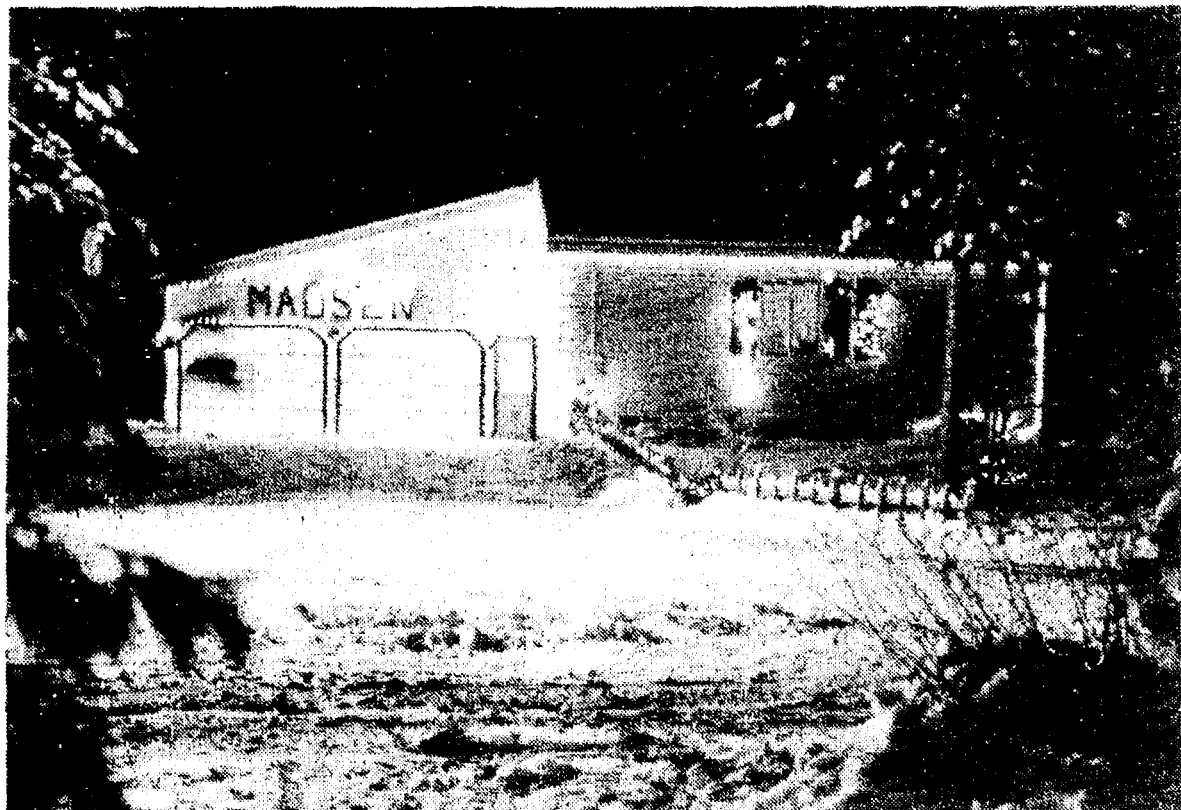
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Dr., Grayling Mobile Estates.



Second Place- Dennis M. Kuhn, Shaw Park  
Road.



Third Place- Kathy Madsen, Molly Lane/off  
Roberts Rd.

### Bits of Talk . . . . . by Fay Bovee

Mrs. Mary Jane Knibbs will have all of her family home for the holidays. Holly Knibbs and husband, Gary Dockham will come from Washington, D.C., Linda Knibbs from Illinois, Nancy and Michael Elliott and son, Michael Ryan from Ann Arbor and Jim and Cindy Knibbs and daughters, Natalie and Andrea from Petoskey.

Mrs. Cecile Lawson and her daughter, Elaine Mallion of Kalkaska, were in Ft. McClellan, Alabama, week before last to see her grandson, Woody Lawson graduate from AIT Military

Police School. He drove home with them and will remain in Grayling until December 28 when he has to report to Ft. Meade, Maryland.

John and Barbara Sojka will have all of their children home with them for the Christmas holiday. Chris Sojka and Bonnie Vaughn are coming from Neenah, Wisconsin, Paul and Janice Sojka and daughter, Ellen, will come from Purdue University in Indiana and Tanya Sojka and Randy Stevens will come from Ann Arbor and Detroit.

John and Nancy Howe drove to Tri-City Airport on Friday evening to pick up their son, Scott Howe of the US Navy. He graduated from Advanced Training at the Naval Air Base in Memphis and will spend the holidays with his parents. Another brother, John Howe, is also stationed permanently at the same base.

Brian and Patty Stephan of Dallas, Texas, arrived in the Detroit area over the weekend and spent until Monday there visiting her grandmothers. On Monday they came to Grayling to visit their parents, Pat and Paul Hill and Gloria and Pete Stephan.

Ken and Irene Wyman were in Lansing over the weekend where the family met with Jeanne Wyman and had part of their Christmas celebration. Arriving in Grayling on Sunday for the holidays at the Wyman home were Jody Korhonen and children, John and Lisa, of Long Island, N.Y. Also coming for Christmas will be Janet and Jim Denczek and Terry of Lansing and Ron and Ruth Hasten of Ypsilanti.

All of Mrs. Bernie Dosch's family are here for Christmas. Michelle and Gerry Fisher came from Washington state, Mike and Chris Dosch came from St. Clair Shores, Ann Dosch from Kalamazoo, Karla Dosch from the University of Michigan and Paula Dosch from Ann Arbor. Paula is now employed by Parke-Davis.

Spending Christmas with his mother are Roger and Mary Hubbell and family of Honor.

Edward Pierce, the husband of former Grayling resident Ethel (Taylor) Pierce, died Aug. 22, 1987, in Abington, Massachusetts. He was 88. Pierce was a well-

known clock-maker and worked as a claims manager for the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. before retiring 21 years ago.

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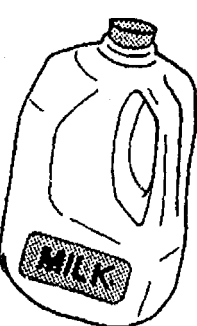
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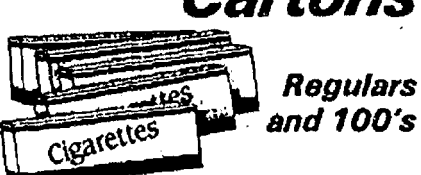
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## Viking Wrestlers Continue Perfect Season

Grayling Viking wrestlers won their third straight tournament and set two new school records.

Don Ferguson's team won the St. Ignace tournament Saturday, Dec. 19, with 210½ team points — a new GHS school record for points at a tournament.

The Vikings also had all 12

wrestlers win medals with six taking 1st place, three taking 2nd place, and three taking 3rd place. It was the first time all the Grayling wrestlers in a tournament had won medals.

"All of our kids wrestled well," said Grayling coach Don Ferguson. "They went right after them."

The six champions were Andy Moore, 98 pounds, Mark Lowe, 126, Bucky Monforton, 132, Tim Colling, 145, Ward Jones, 155, and Brian Kernstock, 198. Moore's record is 8-5, Lowe is 13-0, Monforton is 12-0 and earned his 100th GHS victory at the tournament, Colling is 6-1, Jones is 11-0, and Kernstock is 10-1.

Taking 2nd were Tim Cook, 119, John Gay, 167, and Jeff Wolcott, 185. Cook is 10-

2, Gay is 10-3, and Wolcott is 5-4. Ferguson said Grayling almost had 7 champions but Gay just got beat out after leading his championship match with 10 seconds to go.

Taking 3rd were Terry Sorenson, 112, Doug Doty, 105, and Jason Wright, 138. Sorenson is 8-3, Doty 2-4, and Wright 12-2.

"These kids are going good but they're kind of humble about it," said Ferguson. "They don't talk

about it, they just do it. They're working together well as a unit and they know what's going to happen. They set their goals and go to work."

Behind Grayling's 210½ total were Gladstone 175½, Kalkaska 116½, Cheboygan 82, Charlevoix 74½, St. Ignace 61½, Sault Sainte Marie 52, Onaway 28, and Manistique 24.

The Vikings have won all three tournaments they've

been in this year and have won 3 matches in dual meets for a perfect record so far.

The matmen travel to Freeland Jan. 2 for their next action.

## Sports

### 4 Vikings Win All-League Honors

Jeff Wolcott and Flaskie Robins were named to the 1987 Michigan Huron Shores Conference Most Valuable Player team. Ward Jones and Marty Jung received All-Conference honorable mention.

Wolcott, a senior, was one of the hardest hitters on the Grayling defense. He also was one of the leading ground gainers as running back.

Robins, a senior, led the Grayling offensive line blocking his guard position. He also played defense for the Vikings.

Jones, a senior, was outstanding at linebacker. He also played on the offensive line.

Jung, a junior, played quarterback and led the team in throwing touchdown passes. He also played in the Viking defensive secondary.

### Grayling Tied For 1st in Conference

The Vikings stayed tied for the league lead at 2-0 with a 70-49 win over Boyne City last Friday.

The Vikings shut down one of the league's leading scorers to disarm Boyne City. With Rob Ellsworth and a box-and-one defense, Grayling held Mike Deschryver to just 3 points — 30 points under his average. Ellsworth spent most of the night frustrating Deschryver and Viking coach Tom Mills said the entire team played outstanding defense.

Grayling increased a 15-12 first quarter lead to 28-21 at half. They broke open the ballgame in the third quarter and led 46-29 after three quarters.

John Kinnee led Grayling with 19 points. Jeff Palmer scored 15, Todd Hull 13, Ellsworth 8, Todd McLane 5, Bud Ostrowski 4, Chris Skidmore 2, Craig Hudson 2, and Ted Baynam 2. Ostrowski led the team with 5 assists and 4 steals. Hull and Palmer led the team with 11 rebounds. They each had 3 steals and Hull had 2 blocked shots.

Palmer recorded the first slam-dunk in a few years for Grayling in the second quarter when he put down a break-away layup.

Despite the win, Mills said Grayling's offense still is not smooth and the team's free throw shooting needs lots of

work. Grayling shot 52 percent from the free throw line. The Vikings hit 41 percent from the floor.

The J.V. team dropped the first game Friday night to Boyne City to put their season record at 1-2. The Grayling freshman team lost their opening season game to Petoskey.

#### Michigan Huron Shores Conference

Grayling	2-0
St. Ignace	2-0
Cheboygan	2-0
Gaylord	1-1
Petoskey	1-1
Charlevoix	0-2
Boyne City	0-2
Rogers City	0-2

### Jr. Pro Basketball

#### 3rd & 4th Grade

	W-L
R & H Sports Pistons	3-0
Cornell Insurance/Realty Pacers	3-0
Weyerhaeuser Jr. Vikes	2-1
Grayling Rotary Blades	2-1
Leonards Electric Bullets	2-1
Camp Grayling Gunners	2-1
Scheer Motors Tigers	1-2
Grayling State Bank Bucks	1-2
Maxi-Muffler Jets	1-2
Laurine's Wolverines	1-2
Pizza Hut Blazers	0-3
Perez CPA 76ers	0-3
Pistons 43 - 76ers 11	—
Isaac Tobin 2, Travis Weaver 15, Dave Sabin 1, Kevin Langseth 5, Dan Ray 5, Carl Hartley 3, Nat Weaver 1, Scott Hartman 11. 76ers: Nat Niederer 2, Jennifer Wilkins 5, Joe Medeiros 3, Jeremiah Kohnert 1.	
Bullets 38 - Wolverines 21	—
Scott Ritter 4, Brandon Rousseau 1, Nick Szajner 1, Chris Kucharek 10, Marcus Ritter 11, Cory Randall 11. Wolverines: Steve McEvers 12, Mandy McEvers 2, Chris LaChapelle 4, Jennifer Wejrowski 3.	
Blades 26 - Bucks 17	—
Dale Sturdant 9, Sam Meoak 1, Bobby Deman 11, Clark Wilcox 4, Annie Henion 1, Bucks: Sarah Medler 4, Joshua Eldridge 9, Deb Schreiner 1, Matt LaForest 3.	
Pacers 30 - Gunners 17	—
Pacers: Ryan Schlehuber 14, Jason Thompson 16, Gunners: Nathan Beckwith 6, Dan Bonamie 1, David Harris 7, Jason Hall 2, Nick Schreiner 1.	
Tigers 19 - Blazers 16	—
Tigers: Sean Casey 5, Matt Ashton 5, Sarah Amman 2, Brian Davis 7, Blazers: Jason Hatfield 2, Amy Neil 10, Dave Oberg 1, Joe Wagner 1, Joshua Schoen 2.	
Jr. Vikes 41 - Jets 15	—
Jr. Vikes: Joel Wright 3, Nick Bedard 2, Jeremy Lawrence 12, Rawley Robins 16, Charissa Broeker 8, Jets: Jeff Hale 3, Corey Northrop 3, Bryan Simms 6, Jennifer Richardson 3.	

#### 5th & 6th Grade

	W-L
Grayling Hospital for Animals Bulldogs	3-0
Rochette's Raiders	2-1
Sorenson's Funeral Home-Bandits	2-1
McDonald's Celtics	2-1
Chemical Bank North Bees	2-1
Al Bennett Ford Mustangs	1-2
Mac's Drugs Mauraders	0-3
Holiday Inn Hornets	0-3
Bandits 21 - Mauraders 19	—
Jeff Mier 2, Ron Hough 4, Jennifer Fassinger 6, Mike Johnson 2, Charlie Kucharek 7, Mauraders: Jason Lademan 2, Davy Ray 9, John Vicars 8.	
Bees 33 - Hornets 9	—
Bees: Dave Regan 4, Mike Love 2, Patrick Nolan 6, Steve Shippy 4, Dave Wildfong 12, Nick Stancil 1, Brian Dunckley 4. Hornets: Misty Burden 3, Joshua Cox 6.	
Bulldogs 27 - Celtics 26	—
Bulldogs: Angela Mertes 10, Mike Fleming 2, Chris DiPonio 4, Paul Hartman 8, Valerie Ames 3, Celtics: Brandon Walsh 8, Chip Waite 4, Bob Harrison 2, Chris Wolcott 12.	
Raiders 26 - Mustangs 13	—
Raiders: Bruce Dale 8, Tim Warner 6, Mike Amman 2, Tom Eldridge 10, Mustangs: Chris Jones 8, Shane Hinkle 4, Mike Harris 1.	

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Jeff Wolcott



Flaskie Robins



Ward Jones



Marty Jung

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### 8th Graders End Season

By Karen Febey

The 8th grade girls basketball team finished up their season with a record of 0-11. At the tournament game played against East Jordan at Gaylord, E. Jordan won 31-24 even though Grayling was leading 8-4 by the end of the 1st quarter. Michelle Burchum had 11 points, Andrea Austin had 8, Brenda Moshier 2, and Cindy Fedewa 3.

Coach Carrie Mayes said, "I am really proud of every member on the team because everyone worked really hard throughout the entire season."

But Grayling did get a 5th place trophy out of 6 teams.

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Here's an interesting question for you...Which 2 teammates on a college basketball team later coached the same pro team to championships?...Answer is Bill Russell and K.C. Jones who played college basketball together at the University of San Francisco in the 1950s and then coached the Boston Celtics to the pro championship-Russell in 1968 and 1969, and Jones in 1984 and 1986.

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The Gang



Elementary Notes

**How We Made Santa Claus**  
First all of the class got a red piece of paper. Then we got a white and pink piece of paper. Next we took the red paper and cut a hat out of it. We took the white paper and made a band for his hat. We cut little ragged edges for his beard and we made a face for him and a tassel for his hat. By Rawley Robins, Mr. Hatfield's fourth grade.

We are making some winter gardens in our classroom, and we brought jars to school. We put moss and fungus and bark of a tree and little animals, and we are trying to make it rain inside of the jars. And it worked once and it might work again. And we are watching it a lot so we are hoping it will work again. And some people brought big jars, and some people brought little

jars to school. Some people had their jars on its side and some people had their jars standing straight up. And when they are on their side there is more room in it. By Charissa Broeker and Michael Moshier, Mrs. McEvers' third grade.

**School Fun**  
One of the things I like about school is that we always have fun things to do. But one of the things that I do not like is Math. We have a lot of Christmas decorations and we have a lot of fun Christmas things to do. We are practicing for the Christmas concert. We are singing "Why Can't Every Day Be Christmas?" We are also singing "Jingle Bell Rock." Merry Christmas! By Matt McKee, Miss Johnson's Third Grade.

**Feeding Birds**  
There are birds that come to bird feeders at school. Miss Williams' class feeds the birds. We feed bluejays, chickadees, and sometimes the squirrels get in there. They eat a lot until someone comes along and scares them at the window. We like to watch them. Mac made it for us. Dictated by Melissa Wejrowski, Miss Williams' first grade.

We are playing games. I love my teacher. One of them is where we have to get the man to go on the computer. We have to push the arrows. He goes down the path. If he hits something he taps his toes. When the man gets to the goal the man and the goal blinks at the same time.

This is the second game.

The bunny's name is Alex. We are supposed to return and push some arrows on the computer. When the bunny gets to going there is a carrot. When the bunny hops on the carrot, the carrot blinks at the same time as the bunny. Dictated by Matthew Scott Cragg, Mrs. Nunn's kindergarten.

We work in math. We find rhyming words, like 'car' and 'bar'. We work, look, listen, and learn. Our new letter person is 'Miss E.' We were talking about pine needles. They're pointy. They grow on trees. We're talking about pine cones. We look in the magnifying glass and they look bigger. Dictated by Sam Moore, Mrs. Spencer's kindergarten.

**Music**  
I like it. My favorite song

is "Jingle Bells." We are singing it in the Christmas Concert. We are playing "Lucy Locket." And we are playing "Circle Round Zero." And I like it a lot. We're going to sing "Over the River" for the concert. We are going to practice in the gym with the other first graders. I think we are going to have a Christmas play, too. Dictated by Brie Blaauw, Mrs. Yost's first grade.

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4. Weyerhaeuser	29 1/2
5. Bear's Country Inn	29 1/2
6. Terry's 76	29
7. C.S.I.	27
8. Airway Automation	27
High Series: J. Sampsel 537, T. Brooks 519, J.C. King-K. Davis 478.	
High Game: J. Sampsel 206, T. Brooks 190, T. Shepherd 183.	
High Series: K. Moshier 462, J. Gilman 464, K. King 461.	
High Game: K. King 196, M. Davis 184, K. Moshier 171.	

PIONEER LEAGUE

1. Main St. Florals	35 1/2
2. Avalanche	34 1/2
3. Chemical Bank North	32
4. A.J. Bennett	31
5. Terry's 76	29
6. Dawsons	27
7. Millikin's	27
8. Skip's Sport Shop	24
High Game: L. Hetrick 193, K. Moshier 191, J. Harland, D. Small, B. Pryor 187.	
High Series: J. Harland 512, L. Tobin 497, K. Moshier 493.	
Congratulations to Main St. Florals, winners of first half.	

SUNDAY NITE MIXED DOUBLES

1. Gary's Drywall	36
2. Rochette's	34
3. Helsel's Forest Prod.	34
4. KMPK	33
5. Down River Ace	32
6. Best	26
7. Crawford County Collision	25
8. Carlisle Paddles	20
High Game: M. Keir 236, T. Denno 211, K. Korhonen 188.	
High Series: M. Keir 574, K. Korhonen 535, R. Kea 528.	
High Game: M. Malone 193, J. Harvey 183, N. Cinciala 181.	
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8. Carlisle Paddles	24
Northland Appliance winner of first half.	
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High Game: G. Wolfe 221, C. Millhouse 211, T. McCoy 201.	

Improvement project completes successful year

What started as a dream to make Grayling's downtown area the showcase of northern Michigan is well on its way to becoming a reality after a year marked by growing support for the idea.

Throughout 1987 the Grayling Community Self Improvement Project has seen interest grow along with financial commitment

for the plan to give the downtown a facelift through a creative streetscaping and lighting project.

Drawing on Grayling's colorful Milltown heritage, the project will transform the downtown streets through brick walkways, trees, flowers and decorative vintage lamps, the kind that lined the streets at the Turn of the Century.

That's only the first phase of the CSIP's plans to recreate the Milltown look. As individual businesses get involved, storefronts will take on the architectural style, materials, and detailing that gave the city its unique character.

While excitement builds for the initial phase, the CSIP members are already looking ahead to the

possibility of a Milltown park with an authentic waterpowered mill as its centerpiece.

Such a park would provide a perfect setting for demonstrations of skills like blacksmithing, riverboat construction, weaving or basketweaving.

During the year the CSIP has continued to sell the "Lil' Bit of Grayling" certificates to

generate interest and funds for the project.

The overall goal of the Community Self Improvement Project is stated in the following purpose: Building on our heritage of progress, we are dedicated to the expansion of a positive image and solid business climate to set Grayling apart as a showcase of northern Michigan.

Kick off dinner generates much enthusiasm

The excitement about Grayling's downtown project that has been building over the past year was evident at a kick-off dinner held in October.

That's when 65 local residents, representing businesses, schools, the city of Grayling, and Camp Grayling gathered to hear a report on the Community Self Improvement Project.

After the report and an outline of plans for the future, the local residents initiated a spontaneous pledge drive to demonstrate their commitment to the project.

By the time the dinner was over, a total of \$6,535 had been promised to the project. The voluntary pledges made at the kick-off event ranged from \$200 to \$1,200 by businesses and \$25 to \$200 from individual employees.

The CSIP members were elated at the encouraging response from those attending the dinner and are optimistic that the enthusiasm will continue to spread as everyone in the community becomes involved in the project.



A PROPOSED MODEL of a new streetscaping plan for Grayling. The model reflects Grayling's Milltown heritage. Final plans are yet to be determined.

Fund raising climbs toward phase one goal

Even dreams have to be built on the practical reality of costs and from the start the CSIP has incorporated the price tag into its plans.

The group's initial goal for Phase I was set at \$30,000, enough to make a visual impact on the downtown area and begin the on-going process of improving the visual impact of the community.

Now that goal is within reach and everyone is optimistic that the growing momentum will carry it over the top.

The original dollar goal for individual downtown businesses has already been met and a new goal of 100 percent participation has been set. As the network of supporters expands, the goal for individual contributors is in sight.

Add them all together and you've got some \$24,000 or about 80 percent of what is needed to get the project underway.

Weyerhaeuser grant gives project big boost

The ambitious plans to spruce up downtown Grayling got a sizable boost in December from the Weyerhaeuser Foundation which allocated \$12,000 for the project.

Weyerhaeuser's grant was officially made to the City of Grayling, which will utilize it for work on the streetscaping project. In applying for the grant, the City specified that the money will go towards flower planters, trees to accent the new look, decorative benches and street lighting, or other details that will blend with the overall project.

Weyerhaeuser Foundation's generosity and support for the plan and the city's willingness to accept and administer the funds is another example of private industry, community residents, and the City joining hands in a cooperative effort.

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GRAYLING STATE BANK PRESIDENT Jack Alef (second from left) presents a check to Judy Weaver, Ernie Dawson and Terry Dickinson of the Community Self Improvement Project.



ACCEPTING a check from Old Kent of Gaylord Grayling Branch are Ernie Dawson (l) and Judy Weaver (r). Branch officer Donna Masker, center, presented the check on behalf of Old Kent and said, "We believe in Grayling and want to help the community achieve its goals."

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# The Bible Speaks

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## Merry Christmas

What is the meaning of Christmas to you? Is Christmas just a time for family fun? Is Christmas a time for commercialism in which you feel caught up in pressures and demands? Is Christmas a time for enjoying carols and lights and seasonal beauty? Christmas is many things to many people. Simeon gave us the greatest meaning of Christmas: "And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law, Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation." (Luke 2:26-29).

The angel of the Lord had appeared unto Joseph in a dream and informed him that Jesus was conceived in the womb of the virgin Mary by the Holy Ghost, and that He was God with us. "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." (Matthew 1:23). Why did Emmanuel, (God with us), leave the throne of Heaven to take a human body and dwell on earth? "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21). Jesus

Christ came to earth to be our savior and to give us salvation from our sins. "For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10). "Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Matthew 20:28).

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the only person who can provide eternal salvation. As Peter said, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12). Peter is repeating the truth he had heard Jesus say, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6). "...Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." (Luke 24:46, 47). "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief." (1 Timothy 1:15). Worship Christ as your God and Savior this Christmas. Thank God for His unspeakable gift!

(Hear "The Bible Speaks" at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday on WQON 100 FM).

Pastor "B"

## The Deacon's Speakin'

Deacon Bob Nolan

Scripture Reference: Luke 2:1-14

The following story comes from James L. Henderschedt, Pastor of Cedar Lutheran Church in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Alice had been through this many times before. She could not remember how often her hopes were raised only to have them dashed to the floor. The pattern was always the same. First, there was a call to leave the dorm room she shared with others at the orphanage. Then, there was the wait outside of the superintendent's office, listening to the muffled voices discussing her behind closed doors. Words like slow and difficult came through often.

Finally, there was the inch by inch scrutiny that made her feel more like a specimen under a microscope than the homeless, parentless girl she was. She hated the women who looked at her the way they did a piece of meat hanging at a butcher's shop. They all smelled lilacs and Alice hated lilacs. Bad memories came back as she now stood under the searching stares of the young man and woman in front of her. She remembered one woman who would not look at her a second time after she seen how sloppily Alice was dressed. Another did not want anything to do with her because she stuttered and the servants would only laugh at her.

Yet another was afraid that Alice's clubfoot would make her too clumsy to be a good serving girl. Tears welled up when she remembered how she was once slapped when she tripped and her hands brushed against the lilac-smelling woman's fur coat. Alice felt very self conscious in front of this couple. The woman's hair was soft and radiant and Alice's was a tangled mass of knot's. The woman's face was clean and glowing while Alice's was dirty and tear stained. In vain, Alice tried to hide her misshapen foot behind the good one.

The pretty young lady sat erect in front of Alice. The folds of her long dress reached neatly to the floor. Slowly, the tall, handsome man walked around Alice. At intervals he would stop, glance toward his wife and raise an eyebrow as a thin smile barely traced itself on his

lips. He circled Alice a couple of times and then went to the side of his wife. Not a word was spoken as they looked deeply into one another's eyes. Finally he turned to the superintendent who sat behind the desk and said, "Yes, she is the one. We would like to have her." The superintendent shook his head in disbelief.

Alice was stunned. "Y-y-you m-m-mean y-y-you want me t-t-to b-b-be your s-s-serving girl?" she asked. "No, Alice," the pretty lady said. "We want you to be our daughter."

Alice could not believe what she heard. No one had ever said that to her before. Often she dreamed about what it would be like having a mother and a father and a home. "It can't be true," she said to herself. She wanted them to tell her again. "You really want me to be your daughter... to live with you in your house?" Alice was not even aware she did not stammer a bit.

"Yes," the handsome man said. "We've never had any children. My wife and I have so much love to give, and we want to give that love to you. We want you to be happy." "But why me?" Alice asked, remembering the many times she was turned down before by the others.

The pretty young lady stood up and smiled at Alice. Slowly she reached down and lifted her floor-length skirt and revealed her own malformed foot. Softly, lovingly and understandingly, she said to Alice, "Today, we want you to be our child. Please Alice, let us love you."

I was going to use this story for one of my homilies but I am not sure I could keep myself composed.

If you understand this story, then you may be able to understand why Jesus wants to love us. With our dirty faces, our sloppy clothes, our uncombed hair and our misshapen feet, He comes to love us whatever we feel our handicaps are. All of us are Alice, not trusting, hurt, embarrassed and crushed because no one wants us like we are. But there is Jesus. We celebrate Christmas when He came to say to us all, "Please, let me love you!"

May the peace and love that only Jesus can bring, be yours this Christmas Season.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

## Christmas Reverie



Christmas—and we crunch along the rutted lane to the house where Grandpa waits, white hair shining in the candlelight, to throw open the door before the biggest tree a child has ever seen.

Christmas—and I cry as I unpack the cardboard manger scene I made as a child, that Mother had set up every year 'till now.

Christmas—and our little girl kneels tenderly beside a homemade manger. Two brothers flank her, their shepherd hats askew, as Daddy reads by firelight, "And there were in the same country shepherds..."

Christmas—and in a world that knows war, bitterness, and pain, I praise God for the Babe who "grew in grace" and demonstrated perfect Love.

Christmas—and candlelight gleams on the altar of your church and mine as we thank God for the birthday of a King.

Sunday • Monday • Tuesday • Wednesday • Thursday • Friday • Saturday  
 Luke • Luke • Luke • Luke • Luke • Luke • Luke • Matthew  
 1:1-25 1:26-38 1:39-56 1:57-80 1:18-25 2:1-20 2:1-12

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## Mortgage Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by DAVID W. VOLKENBORN and SARAH H. VOLKENBORN, husband and wife, of 3265 W. Fletcher Road, Roscommon, MI 48653, to NBD ROSCOMMON BANK, formerly The Roscommon State Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, 701 Lake Avenue, P.O. Box 38, Roscommon, MI 48653, dated January 7, 1987, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on January 12, 1987, in Liber 256 of Mortgages, on pages 505-508, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest the sum of Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen and 95/100 (\$18,616.95) Dollars, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

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## CONSUMER CHECKLIST



## Freezer Spoilage

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## Child Population

In 1985 there were 13 million only children living in the United States, about 50 percent more than 20 years ago.

## City Council Proceedings

Regular meeting of the City Council held November 30, 1987.  
Meeting called to order by Mayor Golnick at 7:30 p.m.  
Members present: Golnick, Latuszek, Thompson, Sloan, White.

Members absent: None.  
Also in attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager; Allen V. Schreiner, City Treasurer; Jim Rink, Krysta Cottenham, Heather Derenz, Diane Cinciala, Amy Hough, Ali Wyman, A. Donald Sorenson, Joe Froum, Julie Huss, Scott Lehto, Steve Anhalt.

Moved by Thompson, supported by White that the minutes of the meeting of November 9, 1987 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak. None.

Communications were received and noted.

From Grayling Housing Commission re: Meeting Minutes.

From City Treasurer re: October Gasoline Use Report.

From Police Chief re: October Department Report.

From US Treasury Department re: Commendation for Police Department actions during Vice-Presidents visit.

From M.M.L. re: Legislative Bulletins.

Old Business.

The City Manager discussed with Council the status of the Sewage Lagoon project. He noted that he had received a positive response to his letter to the DNR relative to timing of necessary Public Hearing notices and related data availability. Mr. Morford and the City Engineers will continue on with grant applications etc. and keep Council advised of progress.

New Business.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on Industrial District No. 4. The City Manager explained the necessity for such a hearing and why it was being held. The request was for a district of 20 acres owned by Georgia-Pacific Co. Mr. Steve Anhalt spoke on behalf of Georgia-Pacific Co. and noted that they wished to be able to expand their Northern Michigan operation. Mr. Golnick closed the Public Hearing.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Council member Latuszek and supported by Council member Golnick.

Resolution Establishing Industrial Development

District No. 4 for Georgia-Pacific Corporation

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, this City Council has the authority to establish "Industrial Development Districts" within the City of Grayling; and

WHEREAS, Georgia-Pacific has petitioned this City Council to establish an Industrial Development District No. 4 on its property located in the City of Grayling hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, construction, acquisitions, alterations, or installation of a proposed facility has not commenced at the time of filing the request to establish this district; and

WHEREAS, written notice has been given by mail to all owners of real property located within the district, and to the public by newspaper advertisement in the Crawford County Avalanche and/or public posting of the hearing on the establishment of the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, November 30, 1987 a public hearing was held at which all of the owners of real property within the proposed Industrial Development District and all residents and taxpayers of the City of Grayling were afforded an opportunity to be heard thereon; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it to be in the public interest of the City of Grayling to establish the Industrial Development District as proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Grayling that the following described parcel of land situated in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, and State of Michigan, to-wit: S½ SW¼ NE¼ Sec. 17 T26N R3W City of Grayling be and here is established as an Industrial Development District pursuant to the provision of Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 to be known as Grayling Industrial Development District No. 4.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

The City Manager presented a proposal from Hill, Woodcock and Schroderus, CPA for a renewal of the 3 year contract for conducting the annual audit. Both the City Manager and City Treasurer recommended approval of the proposal.

Moved by Latuszek, supported by Golnick that the audit proposal from Hill, Woodcock and Schroderus be accepted for 3 years as outlined in letter dated 11-16-87 (see attached). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

The City Manager presented two resolutions related to the Grayling City Housing Commission contract with H.U.D.

Moved by Latuszek, supported by White that the Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment No. 10 to the Annual Contributions Contract No. C-3008 be approved (see attached Resolution). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Moved by Latuszek, supported by White that the Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Amendment No. 10 to the Annual Contributions Contract No. C-3008 and the Issuance of Project and Permanent Notes be approved (see attached Resolution). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Reports of City Manager. Mr. Morford reported on the following:

Letter from Glen Pelton.

Community Self Improvement Project.

Leak in Fire Station Roof.

Community Center Group Meetings.

Survey of lot on Lawndale Street.

Bolt Geophysical Testing on Industrial Drive.

Reports of Council Members.

Mr. Golnick mentioned a letter received from a former employee requesting inclusion in a new retired employees health insurance program. Council discussed the matter at length. It was the general opinion that the City budget could not accommodate such an added expense. The Mayor requested the City Manager to write the employee and inform her that Council had denied the request.

Ms. Latuszek reported on recommendations for an office computer.

Mr. Sloan asked if we had a policy regarding barricades. Mr. Morford replied that we do have such a policy.

Ms. Latuszek commended the D.P.W. for recent work on a plugged sewer.

Moved by Thompson that smoking be allowed in the Council Chamber for 6 months. Motion died for lack of support.

Mr. White asked about insurance costs for various city departments and was assured that basic rates for property and liability insurance had not had significant increases during the year.

Adjournment.

Moved by Golnick, supported by Thompson that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford

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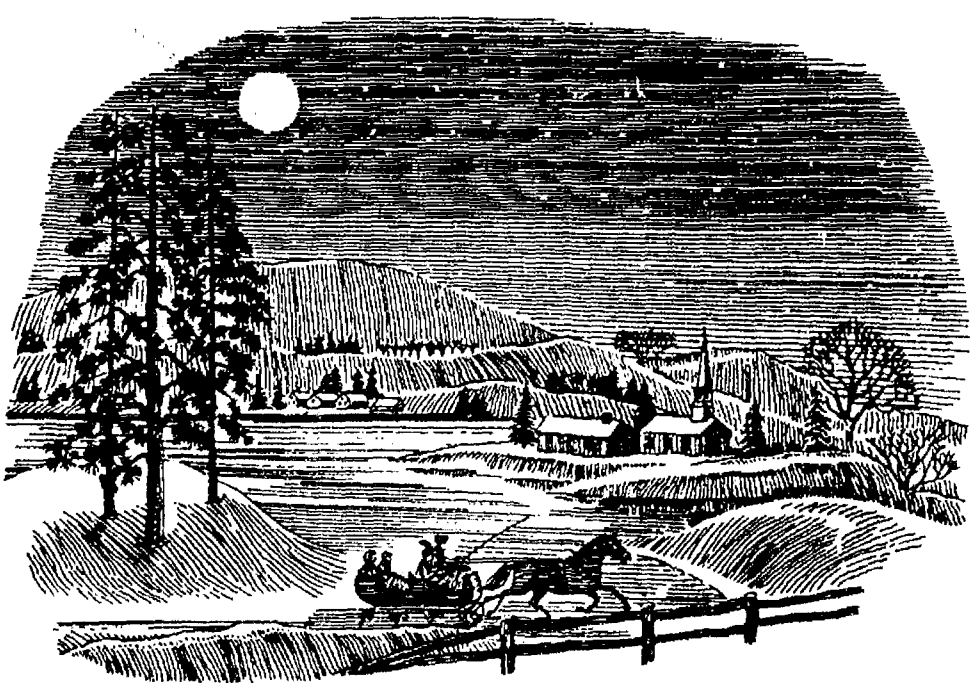
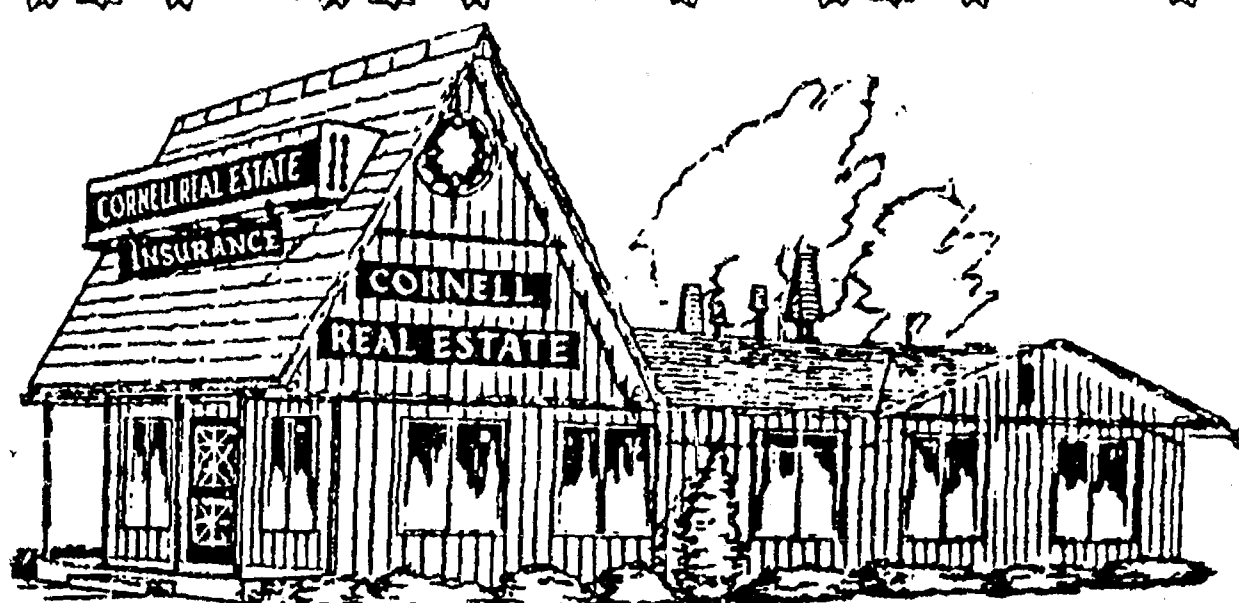
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**Social Studies:** In 7th grade social studies, we are doing current events. We bring in newspaper articles and discuss them. We talk about our rights that are being offended, or helped and what we should do about it. This is making us aware of the events going on in the world. It also prepares us for tomorrow by letting us know what's happening so that history won't repeat itself. Current events also makes us get more involved and try to do something about unfair happenings. Right now we are bringing in canned goods, toys, clothes, etc. to share with needy families for Christmas. This is our second step in getting involved, and hopefully in making a better world for tomorrow. By Theresa Nolan.

**The Boastful Turkey:** In Mrs. Pahssen's language arts class we did a Thanksgiving play. It was entitled *A Boastful Turkey*, and it was the story of a turkey who bragged he would never end up on a Thanksgiving plate. Can you guess how it must have ended? Turkey costumes were made by the students. After the play students recited poems and stories they had written. It was a lot of fun. By Katie Smock and Jessica Roy.

**Poetry Club:** The Poetry Club began in November in Mrs. Pahssen's homeroom. Each Monday students recite poetry they have written or found in books. Students are required to read two poems a month. It's not the purpose of a Poetry Club, but it does help the students to become better readers and everyone enjoys it. When you're in Mrs. Pahssen's class, she makes learning fun. By Katie Smock and Jessica Roy.

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## Personals /9

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**Baking into the Christmas Spirit:** The 8th grade third hour home economics class taught by Mrs. Dora Lantzsch is baking Christmas cookies to get into the Christmas spirit. Besides getting into the spirit, they are learning the basics of making cookies and from these basics they are able to help at home with the holiday baking. And on behalf of the home economics class and Mrs. Lantzsch here's a recipe for you and your family to enjoy.

**Christmas Oatmeal Cookies**  
1 cup sifted flour  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp. baking soda  
1/4 cup butter  
1/4 cup shortening  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1/2 cup brown sugar

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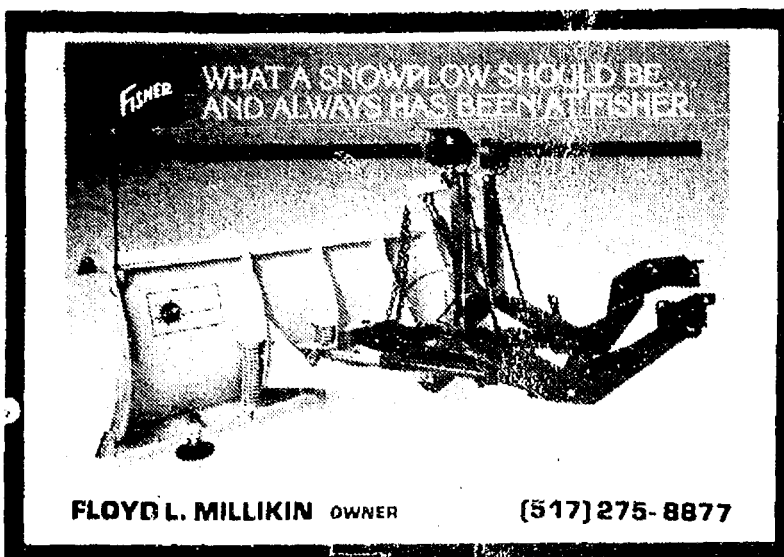
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During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1987 graduate of Grayling High School.

## Notice of Mortgage Sale

WHEREAS, default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Bruce M. Gillis, a single man, Mortgagor, and Community Federal Credit Union, a Corporation, Mortgagee, dated 12th day of July, 1985 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 24th day of July, 1985 in Liber 236, Pages 394-397, and

WHEREAS, there is claimed to be due on said Mortgage as of the date of this notice the sum of: Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-six (\$12,696.00) Dollars for principal and interest, and,

WHEREAS, no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof, and default having been made whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 28, 1987 at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed at a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Crawford County Building, in the City of Grayling, State of Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid, on said mortgage with the interest thereon as provided in said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interests in the premises.

The premises covered by said mortgage are situated in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, viz: The South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West. Included is right of ingress and egress over the existing trail road from the Northwesterly corner of the herein described premises Northerly to the County Road. Also 1-1973 Champion, mobile home, Serial No. 0339660465, which is permanently attached to the above described premises.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 23, 1987  
Community Federal Credit Union

Edward A. Meany  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
300 East Main Street  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
(616) 526-6787

-3-10-17-24-

## Notice of Mortgage Sale

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by BETTY L. HARCOURT of 205 Chestnut Street, Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagor, to the GRAYLING STATE BANK, a Michigan Corporation, of 305 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated September 20, 1985, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, on the 24th day of September, 1985, in Liber 238 of Crawford County Register, on Page 331, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this action, for principal and interest, the sum of Eight Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-eight and 99/100 (\$8,758.99) Dollars.

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan, in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of April, 1988, at 10:15 a.m., said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Crawford County Building, in the City of Grayling, State of Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof, as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 14.50% per annum, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including real estate taxes which may be paid by the undersigned in order to protect its interest in the premises.

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Dated: December 15, 1987  
Emil L. Kraus,  
Attorney for the Mortgagee,  
Grayling State Bank.  
Attorney's address:  
228 Michigan Avenue,  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
-24-31-7-14-

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And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan, in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of April, 1988, at 10:00 a.m., said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Crawford County Building, in the City of Grayling, State of Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof, as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 12% per annum, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including real estate taxes which may be paid by the undersigned in order to protect its interest in the premises.

Said premises is described as follows: Situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, viz: Lots 10 and 11, Block 26, Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

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Dated: December 14, 1987  
Emil L. Kraus,  
Attorney for the Mortgagee,  
Grayling State Bank.  
Attorney's address:  
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## Grayling Township Board

Regular Meeting — December 8, 1987

Members absent: F. Blaauw, R. McLachlan, R. O'Mara, M. Ashton, A. Stancil.

Members absent: None.

Guests: Cal Brenner, Sue Brenner, Joel Wegner, Mike Goddard, Terry Nielson, Mike McNamara, Kerry Harwood.

Supervisor Stancil opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Blaauw, supported by O'Mara and carried to approve minutes of November 10, 1987.

Motion by Ashton, supported by Blaauw and carried, to accept treasurer's report for month of November, 1987.

CORRESPONDENCE: (No action required).  
Fire Dept. Report; Nov. 1987, Sheriff Dept. Report; October, School Board Minutes; Nov. 11, 1987, Transportation Authority Minutes; Nov. 18, 1987, Notice of price increase from C.F.C.

BUSINESS:  
1. Motion by McLachlan, support by Blaauw, to schedule a public hearing for January 12, 1988, to receive and review public comment concerning the method of disbursement of excess funds collected due to curtailment of the Jones Lake Road black-topping project. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Motion by McLachlan, supported by Ashton, to authorize Township Board members attendance at the 1988 Michigan Township's Association Annual Educational Convention to be held in Dearborn January 26-29, 1988. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Consensus of Board to continue ad requesting volunteer members for a Township Hall Feasibility Committee.

4. Motion by McLachlan, supported by O'Mara, to give clerk the choice of continuing membership in Michigan Municipal Clerk's Association or the newly organized Michigan Association of Clerks. Motion carried.

5. Motion by McLachlan, supported by Blaauw, to hire Kim Bindschattel to provide janitorial services for Township Office. Expenditure not to exceed ten hour per month at \$5.00 per hour. Position to be reviewed after ninety days. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Supervisor familiarized Board members with a lot split request in Sunset Park Subdivision. The Zoning Board of Appeals will be petitioned to allow either two duplexes or two single family dwellings if the split is approved.

7. Departments Reports on file:  
Building & Zoning, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Crawford County Transportation Authority, Grayling Recreational Authority, Supervisor & Assessing.

8. In response to a letter from Col. Richard K. Schmidt, Commander at Camp Grayling, a representative of the Camp has been invited to the January 12, 1988, regular meeting to discuss matters of concern to the residents of Grayling Township and the military.

9. Supervisor reviewed "Economic Condition Factors" set by the County Equalization Dept. and Township Assessing Dept. that will be used in the tax year 1988.

10. Motion by O'Mara, supported by Blaauw, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 9958 through 9996 in the amount of \$16,913.48. Roll call carried motion unanimously.

Motion by Blaauw, supported by McLachlan, meeting be adjourned.

Monica S. Ashton, Clerk

## Hard Times Saloon New Year's Eve Party

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**ACROSS**

1 Knot face  
2 Mock  
3 Promontory  
4 Biblical lion  
5 Bellow  
6 Mimics  
7 Arenas  
8 Duck genus  
9 Following  
10 Throw  
11 Evergreen tree  
12 Argot  
13 Buddy  
14 Cornwall mine  
15 Insects  
16 Firearm  
17 Center  
18 Geography (abbr.)  
19 Decade  
20 Grain  
21 Small bird  
22 Form of chalcidony (pl.)  
23 Chaste  
24 Lath  
25 Ignorant beliefs  
26 Shepherd prophet  
27 Possess

**DOWN**

1 Chinese pagoda  
2 Body part  
3 Graciously  
4 American, to a Mexican  
5 Greek letter  
6 Exclamation (pl.)  
7 Before

8 Provide food  
9 Top  
10 Saucy  
11 S-shaped worm  
12 Suspends  
13 Indigo plant  
14 Smelling waste  
15 Long narrow mark  
16 In  
17 Davotee  
18 Joke  
19 Vessel  
20 Johnson  
21 Fewer  
22 Obtain  
23 mundi  
24 Row  
25 Look of hair  
26 Living  
27 Fence opening  
28 Mountain lion  
29 On  
30 Remain  
31 Tree fluid  
32 Pronoun  
33 Belonging to us  
34 National Rifle Association (init.)  
35 Vice

## Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast Period: 12/27/87-1/2/88

- ARIES**  
Mar. 21-Apr. 19  
The New Year ushers in a productive period wherever you put the emphasis. Pleasure and work mix well.
- TAURUS**  
Apr. 20-May 20  
A bright new vision of the future emerges as you discuss things with a close companion. Money matters are favored.
- GEMINI**  
May 21-June 20  
Improvements in the financial picture become evident. Insurance and tax matters must be dealt with.
- CANCER**  
June 21-July 22  
Someone close to you would like a more permanent arrangement. There are many advantages to be had.
- LEO**  
July 23-Aug. 22  
Delving into the mysteries of the healing arts provides a new challenge. You discover new and untapped energy sources.
- VIRGO**  
Aug. 23-Sept. 22  
New creative enterprises bring you in contact with interesting people with fresh ideas. Love and romance are highlighted.
- LIBRA**  
Sept. 23-Oct. 22  
Concern of or for parents keeps you pretty much centered at home. Safeguard the health of family members.
- SCORPIO**  
Oct. 23-Nov. 21  
Meetings, short trips, correspondence, "neighboring," will be interesting and productive. Get your financial records in order.
- SAGITTARIUS**  
Nov. 22-Dec. 21  
You are likely to find "the buy of the century" as you poke around in out-of-the-way places.
- CAPRICORN**  
Dec. 22-Jan. 19  
Friendships and social activities are highlighted. Be aware of the strong impression you make on others.
- AQUARIUS**  
Jan. 20-Feb. 18  
The need for privacy is quite evident. Work in seclusion and prepare yourself for the dynamic period just ahead.
- PISCES**  
Feb. 19-Mar. 20  
Your place in the social scheme of things is secure. Tie up loose ends where friends and finances are concerned.

## BUDDY'S WORKSHOP Improving Output and Efficiency

It may be my imagination, but I think our gas furnace isn't heating our house as well as it used to. As a result, we're using more gas than ever. Can our furnace be "wearing out"?

First, take a look at all weatherstripping and caulking around your home. In time, all fuel-saving measures deteriorate and have to be replaced or upgraded. Once you have eliminated this problem, you can take a look at your furnace.

The burner is the key to maximum efficient use of your natural or bottled gas. It has one job: to mix air with the gas. After a number of heating seasons, rust and other residue can build up on the burner's orifices, which cut down the heat output of the furnace. Cleaning up the burner is a fairly simple procedure. Using a vacuum cleaner and a wire brush, scrape away all the residue and make sure all the orifices are clear. When you've finished, you should see a marked improvement in the heat output and the efficiency of your furnace.

Our fireplace always fills up half the house with smoke. What's wrong?

Try this: get a good fire going, and take a large piece of plywood to cover the fireplace opening. Start at the top of the opening, slowly lower the plywood until there isn't any smoke entering the room. Then measure what's left of the opening.

After the fire has gone out and the hearth has been cleaned thoroughly, use firebricks (without mortar) to raise the hearth to match the opening you measured previously. If you have to go more than one level of bricks, criss-cross them so they will stay strong and level. Try not to go over three levels of brick.



## Resource Review

Bruce Patrick  
Conservation Officer

While the popularity of snowmobiles has leveled off or dropped in recent years, the popularity of All Terrain Vehicles (ATV) has grown rapidly with over 7 million riders using more than 2 million 3, 4 or 6 wheel recreational vehicles. In fact, ATV's are more than recreational vehicles to many. In the nearly 20 years since they were developed, they have become important job tools in many occupations.

Many problems occur with ATV's. I have heard a theory that because they are so new, no user ethic has evolved to guide those who ride them. This means that there is little or no peer pressure to prevent the type of use which results in injuries, property damage and

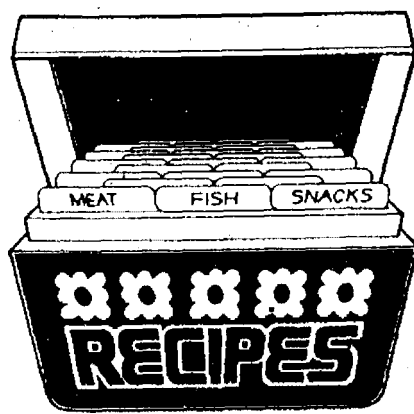
serious environmental degradation. There are nearly 7 times more ATV's in use now than in 1980. Those who attend Tip Up Town at Houghton Lake regularly can testify to this rapid expansion.

Serious accidents are common among ATV users. The machines are so dangerous that federal legislation may soon ban the manufacture and sale of 3 Wheelers. Everyone from preschoolers to factory workers to barbers have been seriously injured or killed while using ATV's.

Research shows that rider misuse is the major factor in ATV accidents. This misuse may consist of carrying more riders than the machine is designed for, riding

on public roads, riding under the influence of drugs or alcohol, improper equipment, riding beyond abilities, children allowed to ride without supervision or children riding adult models.

As a group, ATV riders seem to care little about the other guy. They don't seem to care if the other guy gets hurt, has his land torn up or is run off of the road. There is a move afoot to restrict greatly the privilege of use of state land by ATV riders. It is up to them to learn to participate in their sport the right way, so that they don't infringe upon others.



### POTATO BACON PIE

4 cups cooked potato, grated or mashed into bits  
Lots of coarsely ground black pepper  
Salt to taste  
1/2 cup milk  
12 slices bacon, fried, patted dry of fat, and crumbled  
Preheat the oven to 350°F. Butter an 8-inch pie pan.  
Put the potato, pepper, salt, milk, and bacon in a bowl, and mix well. Spread the potato mixture evenly into the pie pan. Bake for about 40 minutes, or until the top has become lightly browned.

### SCONES

(Makes about 12)

8 oz/225g self-raising flour  
1/2 tsp/2.5ml salt  
2 oz/60g butter or margarine  
1 oz/30g caster (superfine) sugar  
1/4 pt/142ml milk  
Milk for glazing  
Preheat oven to Gas 7/425°F/220°F and lightly grease a large baking sheet (or two smaller ones). Sift the flour and salt. Rub in the fat until the mixture looks like fine breadcrumbs, then add the sugar. Mix to a soft dough with milk. Roll out the dough on a lightly floured board to 1/2 in/1cm thickness and cut into rounds with a 1 1/2 in/4cm cutter. Put on the baking sheets and brush with milk. Bake for 10 minutes. Cool on a wire rack.

### CINNAMON TOAST

White bread, thinly sliced  
2 eggs  
1/2 tsp/2.5ml salt  
1/2 pt/284ml milk  
Few drops vanilla essence  
2 oz/60g butter or margarine  
Cinnamon  
Caster (superfine) sugar  
Cut the crusts off the bread and cut each slice into three fingers. Beat the eggs with the salt and milk until smooth. Flavour with a few drops of vanilla essence. Dip the bread fingers into the mixture. Heat the fat in a heavy frying pan, add the fingers of bread and fry on both sides until crisp and golden. Drain on kitchen paper and dust lightly with cinnamon and sugar. Serve immediately.

## Verse or Worse

By Joseph D. Murphy

### My Best Christmas

I woke up one night when I was six  
With Christmas on my mind.  
Santa Claus would be coming soon  
And I hoped he would be kind.

Santa Claus was my only hope  
Because things were really going bad.  
No jobs could be found anywhere  
Even for a good man like my Dad.

I heard my Mom and Dad talking  
Out beside our old wood fire.  
They were talking about Christmas coming.  
Dad said he'd do any job for hire.

Because there wasn't money to buy presents  
They both sounded kind of sad.  
I lay there thinking if there was some way,  
I could make their Christmas glad.

Mom had been helping to make some gifts  
For some kids in an orphan's home,  
So I knew what being an orphan meant,  
How you were all alone.

Here, I lay in a warm sun bed,  
Always food that was mighty good,  
Two parents that loved me,  
That were doing all they could.

Next day, when they asked me  
What I wanted Santa Claus to bring,  
I could look them straight in the eye  
And say I didn't want a thing.

I said, "If I were an orphan,  
I'd ask Santa for my parents somehow,  
For a snug bed and a good dinner,  
I have them all right now."

"So I have everything I'd ask for  
Plus I have parents I love a lot.  
Instead of wanting things for Christmas,  
I should be grateful for what I've got."

"So let's not worry about Christmas,  
Not let little things spoil the fun.  
Every Christmas wish I have has been granted.  
I'd wish a Merry Christmas to everyone."

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## ATTENTION!!! HELP WANTED:

Grayling Township is seeking five (5) township electors to serve as a "Feasibility" group to research the possible construction or purchase of a township hall.

Interested persons should reply prior to Jan. 12, 1988, in writing to:

Grayling Township  
P.O. Box 521  
Grayling, MI 49738

This is a "non-compensated" appointment and all appointments will be made by the Township Board.

Arnold T. Stancil  
Supervisor

LR 1-7-88

## Poet's Corner

### An Old Fashioned Christmas

I would like an old fashioned Christmas,  
like we had in years before.  
With a tree from the woods to grace our home  
and a wreath of cedar on the door.

The old fashioned gate by the road;  
would be then opened way-up-wide,  
to welcome all our friends and neighbors  
to come to the warmth inside.

There on the Home Comfort range  
would be the coffee pot for you and I;  
hot chocolate for the children  
and lots of apple pie.

The Round Oak stove in the living room  
would have a cherry side  
and young folks would draw up chairs  
after the ski and sledding ride.

The mailman would bring packages, cards and letters,  
the house would smell like spice and pine.  
Everyone would be happy,  
this was Christmas time.

In the country quietness of Christmas Eve,  
the snow fell endlessly down to earth.  
You could almost hear the angels sing  
of a long ago Christ's birth.

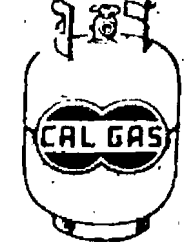
So, let thoughts of an old fashioned Christmas,  
its wonderful story impart.  
Bring memories of an Old Country Home  
and Peace and Joy to your heart.

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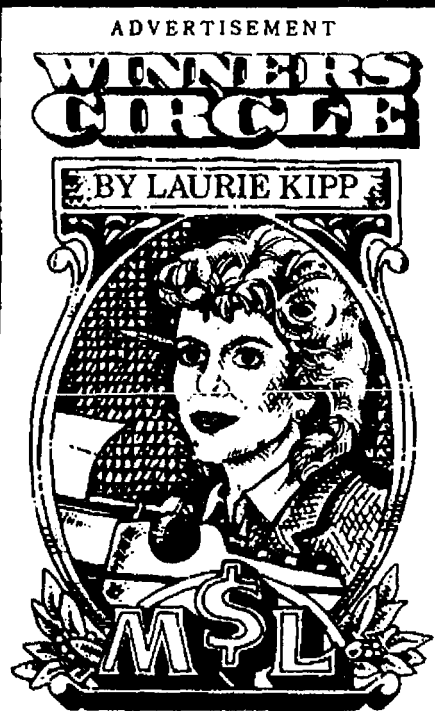
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**WINNERS CIRCLE**  
BY LAURIE KIPP

In an effort to learn first-hand about the experiences of large prize winners, the Michigan Lottery recently sent questionnaires to 230 Lottery millionaires. Nearly 130 winners responded, telling us what it is really like to win \$1 million or more. The results showed that big prize winners generally handle their money wisely, contrary to what some might believe.

**Q: Did most winners feel their new-found wealth changed them?**  
A: Quite the contrary. Nearly 80 percent of the respondents said they remained the same, with most saying they kept the same friends and were treated as they were before their wins by family members. The remaining respondents felt they changed just a bit.

**Q: What did most Lottery millionaires do with their first payments?**  
A: Buying a new car was the most common response. Paying bills, sharing the prize with family members, and taking trips were also popular.

**Q: Did most seek financial counseling?**  
A: More than 70 percent of the millionaires sought financial advice from experts.

**Q: What type of financial plans did they make?**  
A: The majority invested their money and saved for retirement. Savings funds and trust funds for children/grandchildren also were frequently reported. Some planned to start businesses or purchase annuities.

**Q: Do most Lottery millionaires continue to work?**  
A: Nearly 40 percent were employed when they won their prizes and planned to continue working. Thirty-four percent retired immediately after their wins or planned to retire early. Twenty-two percent of the winners were retired at the time of their wins. And, a few opened their own businesses, changed jobs or went to college.

**Q: Is it true that most winners move after winning?**  
A: About half of the respondents reported moving, most to new homes in the same areas. A lesser number moved elsewhere in Michigan, while only three percent reported moving out of state.

**Q: Do the millionaires continue playing Lottery games?**  
A: Yes! Ninety-eight percent of the millionaires reported still playing the games. While Super Lotto was most popular, Daily 3, Daily 4 and instant games also are frequently played.

For asking the question leading to this column, Shirley Steele of Plymouth will receive 50 free tickets for the Lottery's current instant game, "Winner Wonderland."

If you have a question not yet covered in these columns, send it to: "Winners Circle," Michigan Lottery, P.O. Box 30077, Lansing, MI 48909.

## BINGO

**SUNDAY**  
2:00 pm-6:00 pm  
Luzerne  
American Legion

**SUNDAY**  
6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.  
**AMVETS Post 13**  
AuSable Rd. off Old 27  
(SW side of Higgins Lake)  
**HIGGINS LAKE**

**SUNDAY**  
**HANSON HILLS BINGO**  
6:00 p.m.  
AT THE K OF C HALL  
604 Norway St., Grayling

**TUESDAY**  
7:00 P.M.  
**GRAYLING BOOSTER CLUB**  
2121 Industrial Dr.  
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN  
WEEKLY JACKPOT

**WEDNESDAY**  
6:30 to 11 p.m.  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
604 Norway St.  
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

**WEDNESDAY**  
6:30 P.M.  
**St. Francis of Assisi Church, Lewiston**

**THURSDAY**  
**AMERICAN LEGION HALL**  
Post 106  
7:00 p.m.  
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**FRIDAY**  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 1987

### DIAL-A-RIDE FARES POLICY STATEMENT

1. Dial-A-Ride patrons are required to use exact change.
2. Overpayments in the farebox shall not be credited against patrons' subsequent fare obligations.
3. Individuals are not authorized to 'charge' rides.
4. Individuals may elect, at their own discretion, to pay for transportation charges in 'advance'. Individuals wishing to make arrangements for 'advance' payment of transportation charges are to contact Ms. Jody Harland at 348-8215. Be advised that neither bus operators, nor dispatchers, are the appropriate point of contact for the making of arrangements for advance payment.

## District Court

The following persons appeared in 83rd District Court before Judge Francis L. Walsh:

Charles Edwin Hoyer, 35, of Flint, was bound over to circuit court on a charge of manslaughter w/motor vehicle. A \$10,000 personal bond was set. He was cited Sept. 11, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

James Keith Huntsman, 37, of Brighton, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was fined \$355 or 30 days, license suspended 6 months, restricted license after 60 days for work. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Nov. 7, 1986.

Wayne Ray Hack, 27, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of O.U.I.L. He was fined \$405 or 30 days and his license suspended for 6 months. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Jan. 15, 1987.

James Alan Dashi, 29, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of O.U.I.L. He was fined \$405 or 30 days, license restricted for work, and license suspended 6 months. He was cited by the city police on Aug. 15, 1987.

Sandra Kay Bowdler, 34, of Rockwood, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. She was fined \$355 or 30 days, license suspended 90 days, and restricted license for work. She was cited by the sheriff dept. on Aug. 8, 1987.

Frank John Behm, 36, of Carsonville, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was fined \$355 or 30 days, license suspended 90 days, and restricted license for work. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Aug. 14, 1987.

Richard A. Peron, 48, of Valparaiso, Indiana, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was fined \$355 or 30 days, Michigan driving privileges suspended for 90 days. He was cited by the city police on June 26, 1987.

Mark Walkendorf, 31, of Wyoming, plead guilty to a charge of O.U.I.L. He was fined \$405 or 30 days and his license revoked. He was cited by the city police on July 9, 1987.

Douglas Gene Webb, 24, of Frederic, plead guilty to a charge of trespass. He was fined \$105 or 10 days. He was

cited Feb. 13, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

Bryon Scott Johnson, 17, of Frederic, demanded preliminary examination on charges of, I, deliver/manufacture marijuana, and II, poss. w/intent to deliver marijuana. A \$4,000 personal bond was set. He was cited Dec. 2, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

Elbert Clayton Dickens, 60, of Utica, plead guilty to a charge of Grayling City Ordinance No. 4 - Disorderly person. He was fined \$205 or 30 days. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Nov. 25, 1987.

Randee Craig Johnson, 27, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of malicious destruction of property under \$100. On motion of prosecuting attorney, original charge of malicious destruction over \$100 dismissed upon plea. He was fined \$105 or 10 days, 1 year probation, and \$70 restitution. He was cited Sept. 3, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

Andrea M. Lazzaro Patch, of Prudenville, plead guilty to a charge of Grayling City Ordinance No. 4 - Disorderly person. She was fined \$85 or 10 days. She was cited Aug.

3, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

Keith Allan Tomlinson, 48, of Ithaca, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was fined \$355 or 30 days, license suspended 90 days. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Sept. 16, 1987.

Jane Elizabeth May, 26, of Petoskey, plead guilty to a charge of Grayling City Ordinance No. 4 - Disorderly person. She was fined \$105 or 10 days. She was cited June 13, 1987.

Richard Sudderth, 22, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving.

He was fined \$355 or 30 days, license suspended 90 days, restricted license for work and 6 months probation. He was cited by the sheriff dept. on Nov. 28, 1986.

Jerome Ganzie Baldwin, 22, demanded preliminary examination on a charge of possession of cocaine. A personal bond of \$10,000 was set. He was cited Oct. 12, 1987.

Terry Lynn Press, 26, plead guilty on a charge of Create contention in a public place. She received 30 days in the county jail. She was cited Jan. 5, 1987 following a citizen complaint.

## Obituaries

### Sarah Ingalls

Sarah Ingalls, age 84, of Frederic, died Friday, December 18, 1987, at Mercy Manor. Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 21, at 11 a.m. at Sorenson Funeral Home. The Reverend Jeffery Regan officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Born June 12, 1903 in Port Hope, Michigan, she was a homemaker and has been a resident of Crawford County for 57 years. She previously lived in Saginaw.

Survivors include, Wesley Canfield, of Frederic, one son, David Ingalls, of Mt. Pleasant, and two daughters, Isabell Johnson, of Grayling, and Anna Lucero, of Flint. Also, one sister, Maryann Severn, of Elkton, nine grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren.

### Stanley Owens

Stanley Owens, age 78, of Grayling, died Monday, December 14, 1987, at Mercy Hospital. Mr. Owens was a retired truck driver for Tuff's Distributing Co., and was employed by Bear Archery at one time. Owens and his wife Ann were caretakers at the Grayling Game Club for many years and was a member of the Moose Lodge #1162 Grayling for the past 30 years.

Funeral services were held Thursday, December 17, at 1 p.m. at the Sorenson Funeral Home. The Reverend Robert Barnett officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery. A Moose Memorial service was conducted Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. at the Sorenson Funeral Home.

Born May 30, 1909, in Grayling to Daniel and Jennie (Larson) Owens, he married Ann (Christensen) Owens February 8, 1936. Survivors include his wife, Ann, of Grayling, two daughters, Connie Faustman and Jennie Pratt, both of Grayling, two sons, Conrad Owens of Frederic, and Jerry Owens of Grayling. Also one sister, Reva Failing of Florida, 10 grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

### Dorothy Latimer

Dorothy J. Latimer, age 79, of Grayling died Friday, December 18, 1987 at her daughter's residence where she made her home.

Born January 29, 1908, in Petoskey to Elliott and Ida (Barnham) Maxwell, she was a retired nurse's aide, and had been employed at Mercy Hospital for 29 years before retiring in 1973. Mrs. Latimer lived in Roscommon and Crawford County since 1929, then moved to St. Johns, where she had lived until recently, when she returned to live with her daughter.

Survivors include, two sons, Robert Latimer, and wife, Gertrude, of White Cloud, Gerald Latimer, and wife, Donna, of St. Johns, two daughters, Maxella Latimer, of Traverse City, and Alice Galvani, and her husband, Orlo, of Grayling, also one son-in-law, Milford Moggo, of Roscommon, 13 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren. One daughter, Nila Moggo, and a grandson preceded her in death.

A memorial service was held Monday, December 21, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Reverend Gerald Micketti, and Deacon Bob Nolan officiated. Arrangements were handled by Sorenson Funeral Home.

The family requests that those who wish to make memorial gifts, direct them to the American Cancer Society.

### Herbert Bice

Herbert V. Bice, age 67, of Grayling died Tuesday, December 15, 1987, at Ingham Medical Center, Lansing.

Born February 28, 1920 in Philadelphia to Ray and Gunhild (Olander) Bice he had served in the military for twenty years, and at the time of his retirement, in 1959, he was a Master Sergeant in the US Army.

Following cremation, Mr. Bice's remains will be interred in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

## 46th Circuit Court

The following appeared before the Honorable William A. Porter: Monday, December 7, 1987:

Michael Lee Cannoy, age 19, of Grayling, was sentenced on a charge of Attempted Larceny by Conversion over \$100. He received 5 years probation and 90 days in the county jail with credit given for 9 days served. He must also pay \$400 costs, \$550 attorney fees and \$2,630 restitution.

Cannoy was arrested on a complaint by a Traverse City resident from whom he had been renting a house in Crawford County.

Leroy James Gingerich, age 26, of Frederic, was sentenced on a charge of Breaking & Entering a building with Intent of Larceny. He received 36 months probation and 1 year in the county jail with credit given for 144 days served. He must also pay \$400 costs, \$550 attorney fees and restitution which will be determined at a later date.

Gingerich was arrested in July, 1987, following an investigation of several complaints of Breaking and Entering in the Frederic area.

Danny L. Greene, age 19, of Frederic, was sentenced on a charge of Criminal Sexual Conduct 2nd Degree.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for all the expressions of kindness shown to us in our time of loss, the staff at Mercy Hospital, Dr. Burkley, Gosling, George, Ramaswamy, and Rolsi. Also Derek McEvers for all his help. The Moose Lodge for the service and the luncheon. Pastor Barnett for all the prayers and support he gave. To all the wonderful people who showed their sympathy in so many ways with food, flowers, cards, visits. We really appreciate all that was done for us. May God Bless all of you. A special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pearce for all the detailed preparations that they handled for us.

The family of Stanley Owens

He received 5 to 15 years with the Michigan Department of Corrections.

Greene was arrested following an investigation by the Crawford County Sheriff Department and the Crawford County Department of Social Services. The victim was a 5 year old girl.

Christopher R. Rollins, age 29, of Grayling, was arraigned on a charge of Larceny over \$100. He was arrested by the Crawford County Sheriff Department following an investigation of a complaint by a County resident.

Rollins faces a maximum sentence of 5 years in prison or \$2,500 fine.

Edward Tracey Killips, age 33, of Lakeside, plead guilty to Criminal Sexual Conduct 2nd Degree. He was arrested in June, 1987, by the Crawford County Sheriff Department on a complaint filed by a 15 year old youth.

Killips faces a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison.

Rodney Gene Riggs, age 30, of Frederic, plead guilty as charged to Malicious Destruction of Police Property. He was arrested on a warrant in July, 1987, when he allegedly kicked out a window of a Sheriff Department patrol vehicle after being placed under arrest on another charge.

Riggs faces a maximum sentence of 4 years in prison and/or a fine up to \$2,000.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### CITY OF GRAYLING

Facility Planning Study  
(C263378)

Notice is hereby given that the City of Grayling will hold a public hearing on the proposed City of Grayling Amended Facility Planning Study for the purpose of receiving comments and views of interested persons. The hearing will be held at the regular City Council meeting at 7:30 p.m. on January 11, 1988, in the City Council Room, 103 James Street, Grayling, Michigan.

The amended City of Grayling Facility Planning Study proposes rehabilitation of portions of the existing sewage collection system and renovation and expansion of the existing treatment facility. A detailed breakdown of estimated total costs, local costs, and monthly costs to a typical residential customer will be presented as well as the environmental impact of proposed alternatives, including the "no-action" alternative.

Public participation is requested so that City of Grayling officials will be better able to decide the ultimate course of action. Copies of the Facility Planning Study will be available for public inspection at the City of Grayling offices, 103 James Street, Grayling, Michigan on December 28, 1987. Written comments sent to the City of Grayling, 103 James Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738 will be entered into the public record through January 21, 1988.

City of Grayling  
Jerry W. Morford, Clerk

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Crawford County Transportation Authority  
Declaration of Intent  
Regarding  
The Provision of Transportation Services  
To  
Handicapped Individuals

The Crawford County Transportation Authority operates a rural demand-response mass transit bus system; a.k.a. Crawford County Dial-A-Ride.

During Fiscal Year 1986/87 (October 1, 1986-September 30, 1987) CCTA vehicles traversed an audited total of 376,002 miles, during 19,100 vehicle hours of operation.

The number of individuals transported during this same time period was 128,383. Of this total number of individuals 3,122 were sufficiently handicapped as to require a wheelchair lift equipped vehicle, another 24,263 riders were senior citizens, and the remaining 100,410 were designated as "regular" passengers by virtue of their being neither senior citizens nor handicapped individuals.

The CCTA operates a fleet of eleven (11) vehicles. Nine (9) of the eleven (11) are considered primary and two (2) are regarded as back-up. Seven (7) of the eleven (11) vehicles are equipped to make wheelchair lifts. The CCTA has no intention to lessen the percentage of buses in its fleet which are adequately equipped to serve the handicapped.

Modifications in service schedule, fare rate structure, or service area, which effect the accessibility of public transportation services to handicapped individuals or senior citizens, shall be preceded by: (1) public notices announcing the CCTA Board's intent; (2) public hearings wherein any affected citizen may freely express his/her opinion regarding the proposed changes prior to their implementation; and (3) the Board's taking the comments of affected individuals into consideration as a part of its deliberation process.

Written comments, from the public, are invited respective to this public notice. Additionally, any citizen may request in writing that a formal public hearing be held concerning the social, economic, and/or environmental impact of any topic included within this PUBLIC NOTICE. Written comments, or written requests, must be received within thirty (30) days of this notice; i.e. January 25, 1988.

Submittals should be addressed to David C. Frederick, Crawford County Transportation Authority, Post Office Box 166, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

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## TO THE CUSTOMERS OF MICHIGAN CONSOLIDATED GAS COMPANY

Case No. U-8967

### NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENTS AND INQUIRY

Michigan Consolidated Gas Company (MichCon) filed an application with the Michigan Public Service Commission for authorization to enter into certain transactions and to execute guarantees, reimbursement agreements or other credit enhancements, in which MichCon or a subsidiary of MichCon may be liable or contingently liable for up to \$25 million related to the Phase II Riverfront Development in Detroit. The request was filed pursuant to MCLA 460.301 et seq. and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Any interested person may review MichCon's application at its offices, located at 500 Griswold Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226, or at the Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) at 6545 Mercantile Way, Lansing, Michigan 48910. Further notice is

given that any interested person may submit comments or request an inquiry on said application and the matters set forth therein by sending a request or comments in writing to the Michigan Public Service Commission, Technical Services Division, at 6545 Mercantile Way, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909 with a copy to MichCon's Office of General Counsel, 500 Griswold, Detroit, Michigan 48226, provided that said request is received by the Commission 14 days from the date of this notice.

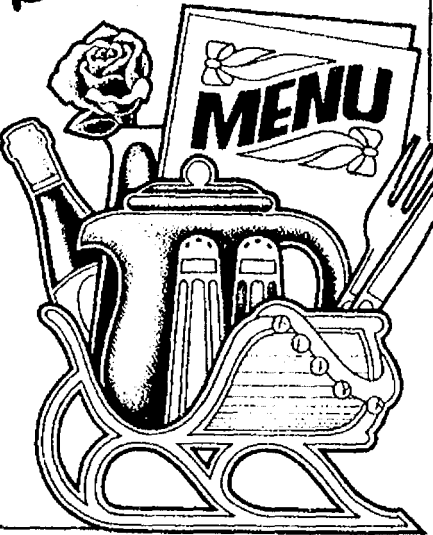
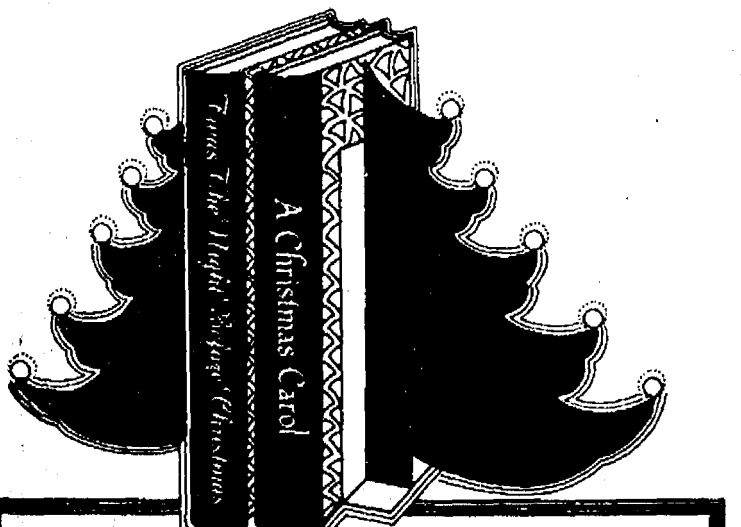
**michcon**



*Holiday Dining Delights*


May good fun and good tidings be your specialty of the season. Your friendship means a lot.

**Lone Pine Restaurant**

We appreciate our many customers who celebrate reading as we do. A warm and festive season to all!

**Crawford County Library**



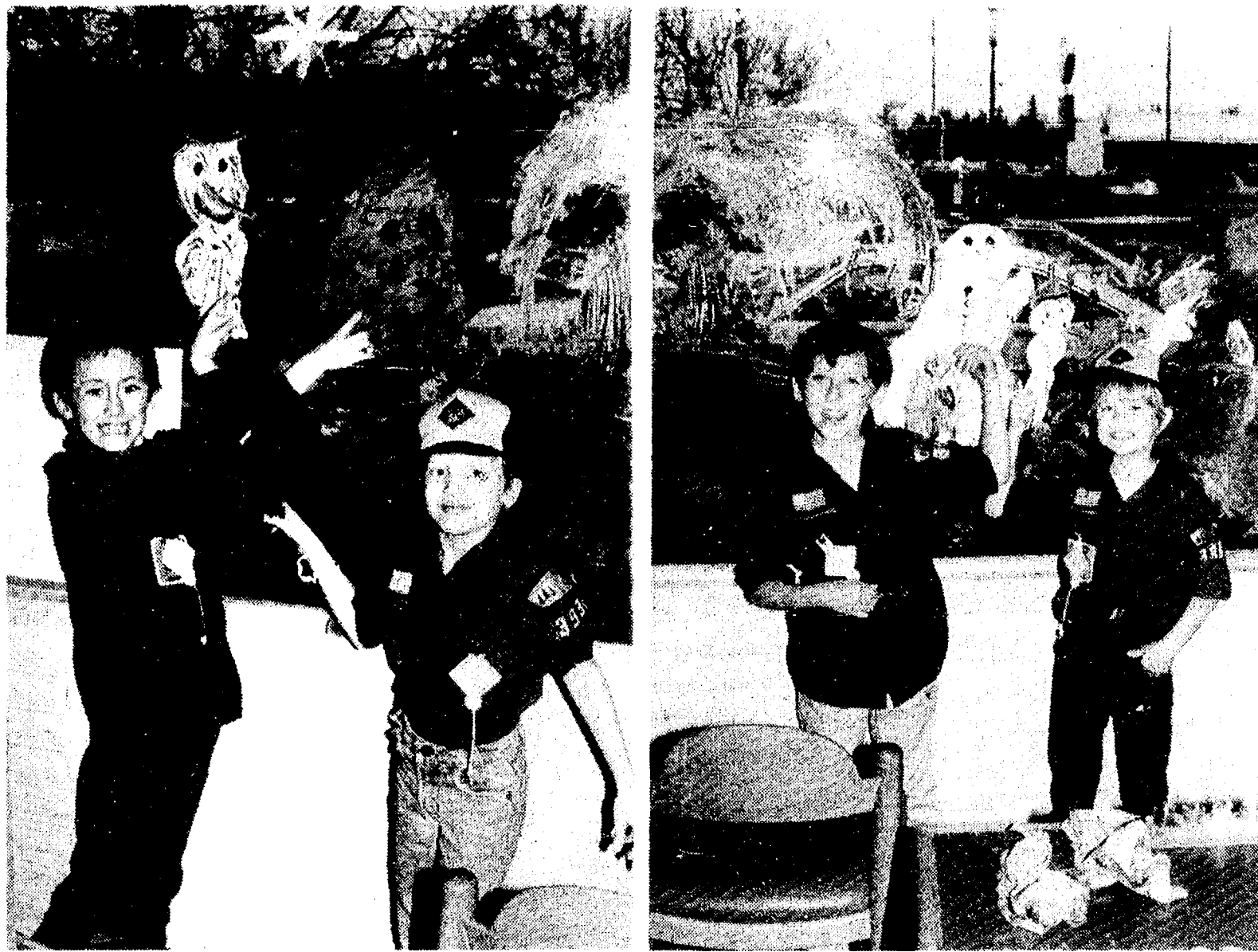
**Merry Christmas**

FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT

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DOWNTOWN GRAYLING  
(ACROSS FROM WEAVER'S)

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11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.



**CHRISTMAS PAINTING** — Little Caesars of Grayling invited Cub Scout pack #3993 to finger paint Christmas decorations on the restaurant windows. Den leaders Lynn Johnson and Chris Decker took the boys to Little Caesars for the holiday fun.



### Library News

Reader's Digest Book of Facts and Seven Complete Novels by Gardner are two books donated by Melvin and

Marge Vallad in memory of her sister, Edna Bostock.

We have received several donations to the building fund and to purchase books in memory of Clyde Smith from George and Ann Granger, Jim and Barbara Verlinde, Russ and Dagmar Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Schuyler Cox, Steve and Cecilia Atna, The Dickinson Teacher's Club, Myrtle Papenfus, Grace Jurkiewicz

and Barbara Senter. His name will be placed on the memorial plaque.

The Frederic High School alumni have donated "Kaleidoscope" by Steel in memory of Evelyn Lovell Fairbottom, class of 1952.

Viola Middleton donated to the Calla Barber memorial.

The library is in the Frederic Township Hall, 7564 Kelly Ave., 612 West. We are open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



## Holiday Greetings

To our holiday wishes, we add sincere thanks for your patronage. We appreciate our customers.



Old U.S. 27-North — Grayling — 348-5435



## A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Peace on earth, good will to all as we celebrate the Saviour's birth. May this joy of the season be yours to share with family and friends.

*Larry & Joan's*



## HOLIDAY GREETINGS

From house to house we wish all of you every joy this season. Close friends, happy families, warm fires and good health be yours.

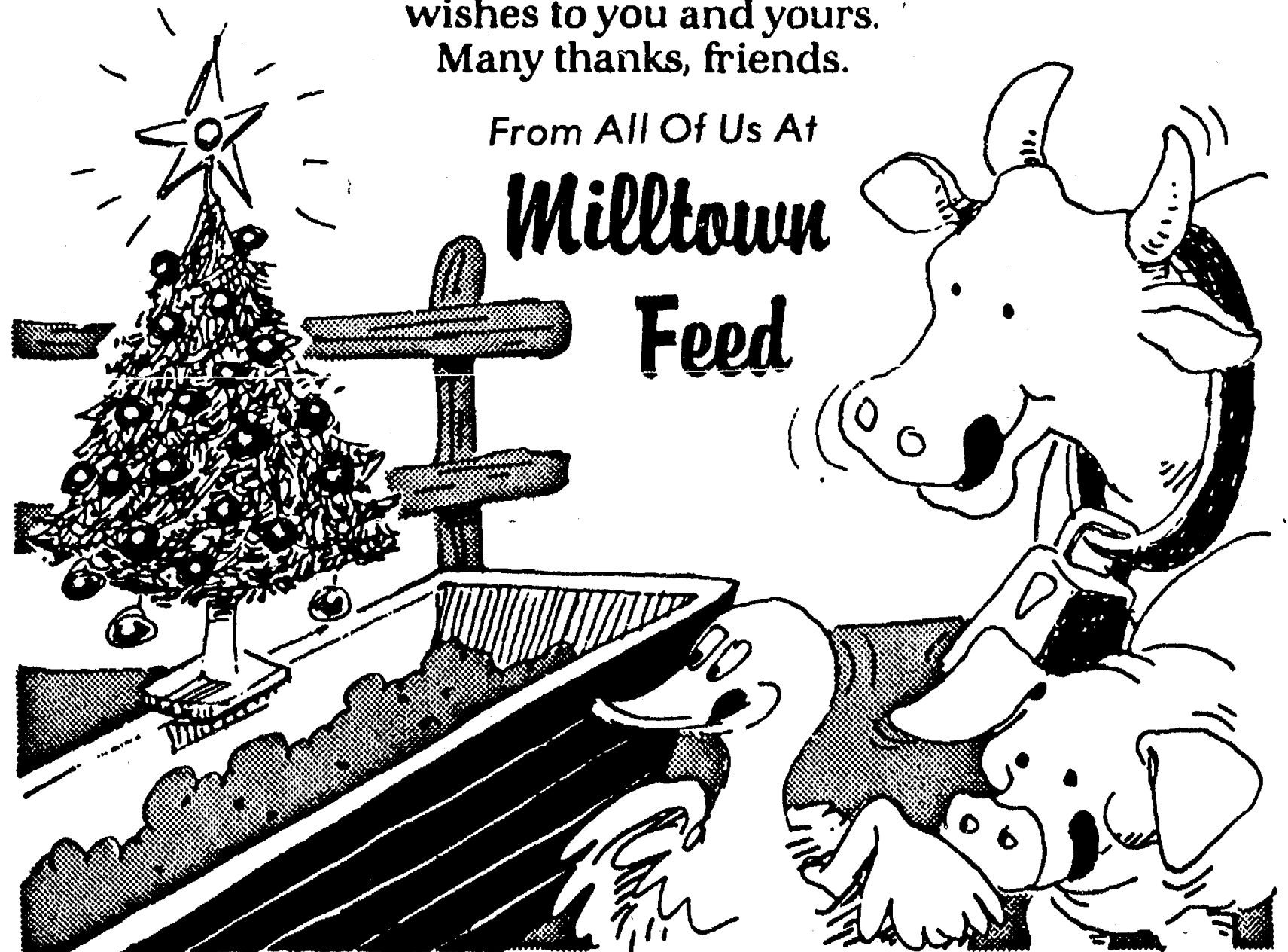
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*Whitey*

From The Staff  
Of  
**Crawford County Avalanche**

## Share the Joy!

We're happy to supply our warmest Yuletide wishes to you and yours. Many thanks, friends.

From All Of Us At  
**Milltown Feed**





May your heart and home  
be Christmas blessed,  
May your new year  
be the very best.

Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year

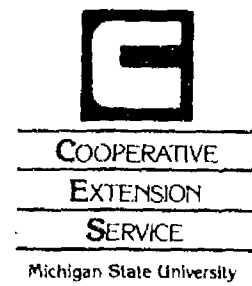
**The Irishman's Shanty**  
234 Michigan Ave. — 348-8626

★ "In Bethlehem a hand was  
put into ours, to lead us forth  
toward a Brighter Land."  
May the Joy of Christmas  
Day make your whole year glad-  
der and brighter.  
Have a Blessed Christmas

**Penelopes Cora & Penny**



**SANTA VISITS** — 285 children talked to Santa Claus Dec. 18 at the Grayling State Bank and each received a gift of their choice. Right photo shows many of the eager children in line. Left photo shows Grayling State Bank president Jack Alef with Santa and children.



## Making Gifts Provides Holiday Fun At Home

Children enjoy taking part in holiday gift giving, whether they are presenting or receiving gifts.

During the winter holiday season, parents, teachers, 4-H leaders and others who work with children can use this natural interest to help youngsters make presents for friends or relatives while they learn basic food preparation techniques and lessons in good nutrition.

"Making gifts can be an excellent family activity," says 4-H food and nutrition specialist Pat Hammerschmidt. "It's a fun and often inexpensive way for kids to express themselves and see the results of their labor."

Children can help create numerous edible gifts and Hammerschmidt suggests choosing healthful foods and snacks rather than traditional sugared treats such as fudge or peanut brittle because people are often overwhelmed with sugared

treats during the holidays. Instead, Hammerschmidt recommends baking breads, muffins, biscuits or soft pretzels and explaining the healthful benefits of these foods to the young chefs who prepare them.

Some special considerations need to be taken into account when working with preschool or lower elementary-aged children.

"Very young children need close supervision, especially when a heat source or the use of a knife is involved," Hammerschmidt says. "You should expect a mess, so it's a good idea to cover the work area with newspapers or work on a surface that's easy to clean."

Hammerschmidt also advocates using simple recipes

because young children have short attention spans and like to see the results of their efforts in a short time.

Older children and teens can be given more responsibility and more challenging recipes, but they still need some supervision.

Other food craft suggestions for all ages include filling a jar with several layers of various dry beans and adding a recipe for bean soup, collecting family or magazine recipes for a cookbook or giving homemade pancake mix.

Among non-edible craft ideas are one-inch pieces of paper towel tubing wrapped with colorful fabric to use as napkin holders. Hammerschmidt says that children can also make modeling dough to give as gifts to friends or young relatives.

## Fedak To Head Builders Association

The Northern Michigan Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors recently installed officers and directors for 1988 at their annual meeting in Gaylord.

Moving into the top leadership position to replace Ron Hamilton of Western Concrete Products of Cadillac, is Fred Fedak of North Central Erectors of Grayling. An ABC member since 1980, Fedak has been active in various ABC programs and committees since joining the Association.

"In 36 years, Associated Builders and Contractors

has developed into an association that has almost 80% of the construction work in the United States. We are the future of the construction industry in this country and we must further the legacy of excellence and determination that have been our trademarks for the past 36 years," said Fedak.

### New Comet

Comet Bradfield will be visible in the evening sky until April through telescopes and high-powered binoculars. This is a brand new comet that has never been seen before and is not likely to be seen again.

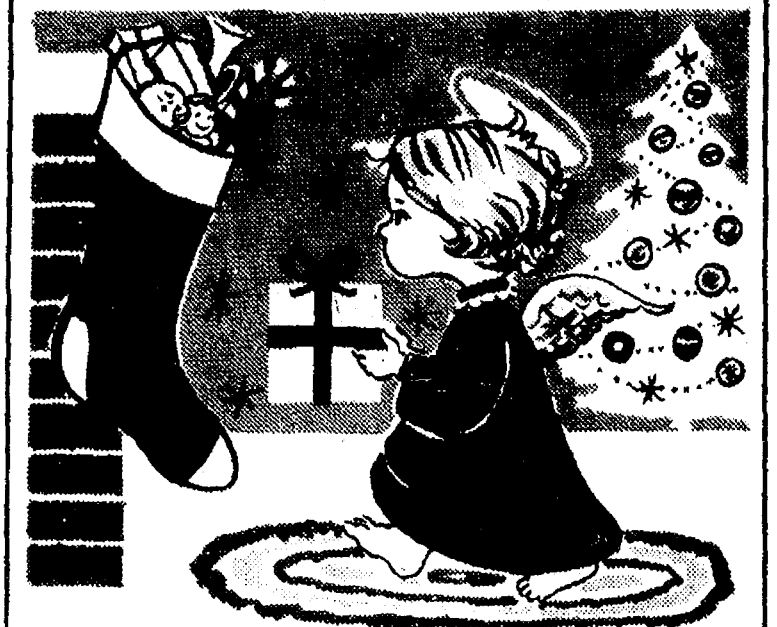
The comet was first sighted Aug. 11 by an Australian amateur astronomer, William Bradfield.



## Greetings

What more could we wish for you, than a warm old-fashioned Christmas.

**Pothelly  
Antiques**



## Happy Holiday

May your stockings be stuffed with peace, faith and joy. Happy holidays to everyone.



**Grandma's Dolls**



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

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**NOEL**

As we celebrate the miracle of Christmas let us rejoice with love and good will.

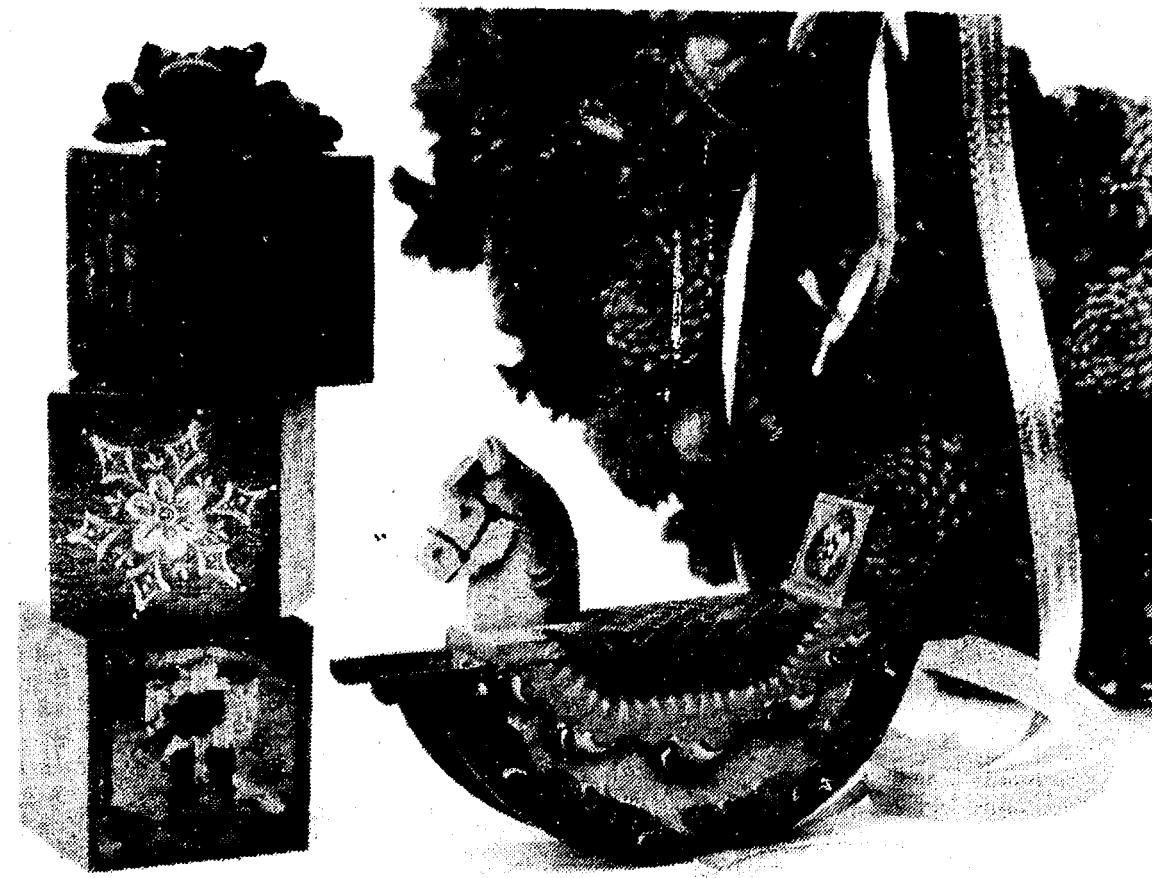
Carol Wieber, David Waack, Linda Ferguson, Bruce Jones, Shelly Hubbard, Betty Bennett, Sandra Gledner, Sandy Moore, Dorothy Johnson, Joe Walcott, Sarah A. Osgood, Ron Jones, Julie Jagan, Margaret Cook, Barb Valentine, Peter, Pat, and many others.

**COURTHOUSE EMPLOYEES**  
Marie Mahoney, R.D.





## Local Artist's Work Displayed at Smithsonian



A work by Grayling artist Judy Craft will be one of the ornaments and toys on display when the 11th annual "Trees of Christmas" exhibition opens at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, Friday, December 18. On display will be 10 trees, decorated primarily with handcrafted ornaments that illustrate a particular craft, tradition and style.

Craft, a member of the National Society of Tole and Decorative Painters, is one of a select few whose works will grace the Society's theme tree, "Painted Ponies and Beautiful Blocks." The tree features hand-painted wooden rocking horses and blocks with stylized motifs and holiday scenes. Below the tree are 30 beautifully painted dolls and toys.

"It is a great honor for Judy to participate," says

Margy Wentz, Executive Director of the National Tole Society. "The Society has 35,000 members in 50 states, Canada, and 14 foreign countries. Even with a 12-foot tree - the tallest in the exhibit - we had to limit our selection to fewer than 600 pieces. So, you can see she is in very good company."

This year marks the third time the National Tole Society has been asked to have a tree in the exhibit. "We were invited to take part in 1983 and again in 1985," says Wentz. "I understand it is very unusual for an organization to be asked to participate this often. I think a lot of it has to do with the popularity of tole and decorative painting and the quality of work the Smithsonian has come to expect from our members, like Judy."

The exhibition, produced

by the Smithsonian's Office of Horticulture and the museum's Office of Exhibits, will continue through January 6, 1988. Afterwards, the work by Craft and the others will become part of the permanent Smithsonian collection in Washington D.C.

Other theme trees this year include "Natural Elegance," "Recycled Ornaments," "Rug Hooking," "Stenciling," "Colonial Christmas Today," "A Patriot's Christmas Tree," "Macrame," "Traveling Family Tree" and "Christbaumschnitte." A free brochure, published in conjunction with the exhibit, will be available in the exhibition area. The museum, located at 14th Street and Constitution Avenue N.W., is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily, except December 25. Admission is free.



**Peace on Earth**

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**Thank You  
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Rene, Linda, Patti, Dr. Kerle, Renee

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Dec. 23 - 26 and Dec. 30 - Jan. 2**

### 3 Grayling Residents Earn CMU Degrees

Three Grayling residents were among the 1,934 December graduates at Central Michigan University. Diane Lee received a bachelor of science degree in education for teachers of the mentally impaired. Scott Rasmussen received a bachelor of science degree in biology. Brett Stockton received a bachelor of science degree in education majoring in school health education and history.

### Middle School Notes

**Sea Life**

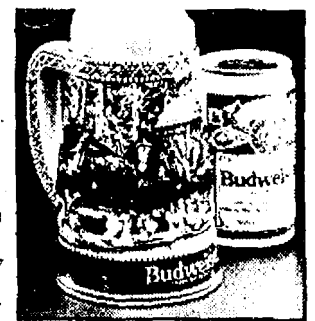
In our fifth grade class we each studied different sea animals. There are lots of different sea animals. Some are big and some are small. Some sea animals are smaller than an inch. Some are bigger than an elephant. We drew pictures and colored them. We cut and glued them on cardboard. Our teacher gave us an index card to put information on. We will put them all in the showcase. Written by Jason Hartley and Angela Labo, Mrs. Fleming's fifth grade.

Mrs. Fleming's fifth grade class is going to the County Library Tuesday, December 8, 1987. We are going to the library to learn to use it and to get a chance to check out our own books. We will be able to have our own library cards. Our class is going to walk to the library.

We have library class in school so we can build our library skills. Another reason is so we can have a chance to go to the library for those who haven't been there before. By Georgette Feldhauser and Star Sheppard.

## Holiday Cheer From Budweiser.

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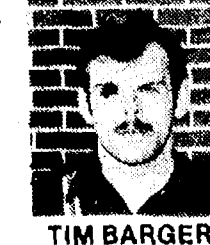
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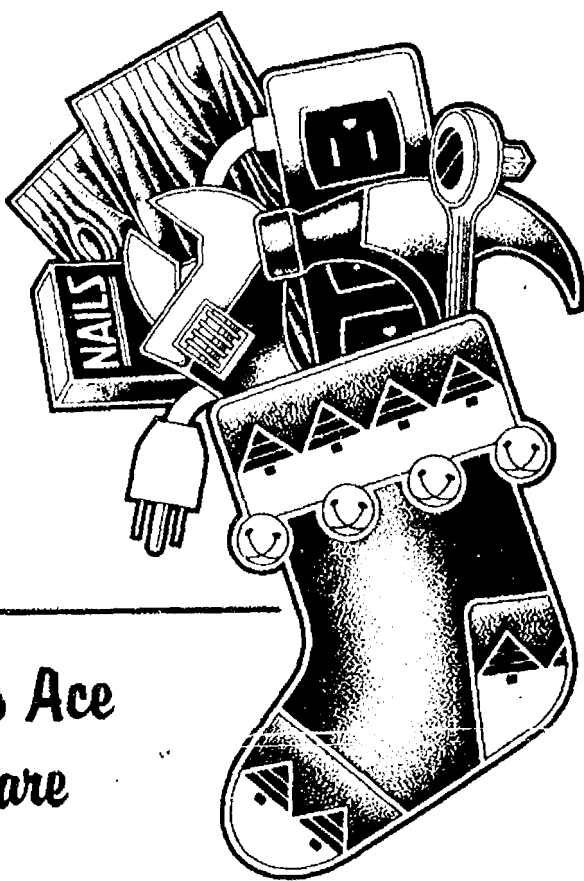


A holly jolly Christmas to all our wonderful friends. "Thank You" to all. Thanks for your most generous good will. To you and yours we wish a Merry Christmas.

**The Hair Station &  
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May this season  
overflow with  
good times,  
good friends and  
good fun!  
We're especially  
thankful for our  
good friends like you.



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**ENGAGEMENT** — Al and Nancy Krey are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Teresa to Greg Gothro, son of Ken and Mabel Gothro of Grayling. A June wedding is being planned.

Now and throughout the year,  
we wish you 366 days of Yuletide cheer!



**Happy  
Holidays**

**Jansen's  
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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Warm holiday  
tidings to you and  
your families.  
Thanks for the trust  
you've shown in us.



**Sorenson Agency**  
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## Hartwick Pines Big Wheels Featured in State Calendar

The landmark "big wheels" at the entrance of Hartwick Pines in Crawford County are featured in the 1988 full color calendar, "Michigan: Carved Out of the Woods," just released by the Michigan Department of State.

"The peak of lumbering production in Michigan came in 1888 — exactly a century ago," said Sandra Clark, editor of Michigan History magazine. "This seemed the perfect year to feature not only the natural beauty of the forests but the lumbering era and the industries that grew out of it."

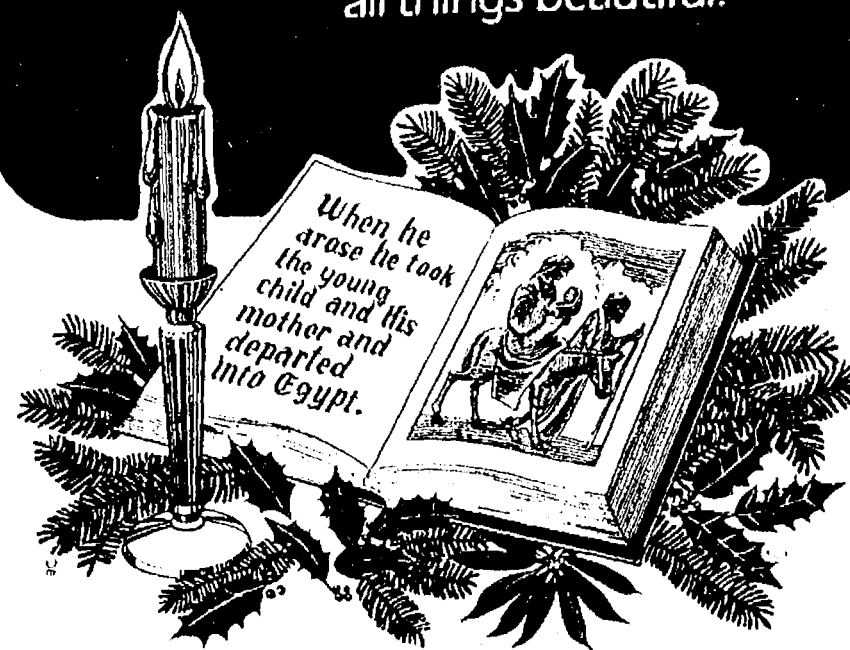
"We are particularly proud to be emphasizing this well-known set of 'big

wheels' said Clark. "The new Michigan Library and Historical Center slated to open in Lansing in late 1988 will also have a restored 'big wheels,' on display."

The calendar measuring 14 x 22 inches features both color photographs and paintings of Michigan with one full color image for each month of the year. Historic black and white photographs are also included.

Each calendar costs \$7 and may be obtained by sending orders and a check made payable to the State of Michigan, to Michigan History magazine, 208 North Capitol Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48918. There is no charge for postage or handling.

A Christmas prayer for you and  
your family... may this Noel bring  
all things beautiful.



**Elias Brothers Big Boy**



## JOYOUS NOEL

We wish you memories to treasure, joys to remember and happiness to share at Christmas and always. Thanks for your good friendship.

**Sheriff and Mrs. Harold Hatfield**

## Middle School Notes

### Gingerbread Schoolhouse

There is a gingerbread schoolhouse made out of 3 pounds of powdered sugar and gingerbread cookie dough. The windows were made out of gold Christmas paper and the shutters are made out of red licorice. The roof is made out of frosting and dough. The walls are made out of dough and was painted with cranberry juice. The bricks were made out of frosting. The sign and the sidewalk were made out of fruit roll-ups. The bell tower is made out of dough, heavy paper, frosting, and fruit roll-ups for decoration. The trees were made out of upside down ice cream cones. They were covered with green frosting and pieces of candy. The door was made out of cardboard. The snow on the ground was made out of frosting.

It was displayed in the Middle School showcase. It was made by Mrs. Bovee. By Jamie Peckat and Carol Sturdivant, Mrs. Fleming's Fifth Grade.

### Christmas Pinata

We are doing a pinata in Mrs. Fleming's classroom for Spanish. We started Monday, the seventh and it's getting bigger all the time. The pinata is made of a balloon with flour and water mixed together to make the newspaper sticky so we can make it stick to the balloon. We have already put two layers of newspaper on it. It is going to be filled to the tippy top with yummy candy. We are going to decorate the pinata with pretty paints. Then we are going to hit it with a hard and long stick or bat. When someone hits the pinata with the blindfold on and candy falls out kids yell, "Bonzai!" and dive for the yummy candy.

We are making the pinata because people in Mexico celebrate Christmas and some other special occasions with the pinata. Written by Samara Sabin, Sarah Woodland, and Raylene Bendily, Mrs. Fleming's fifth grade.



**Merry Christmas  
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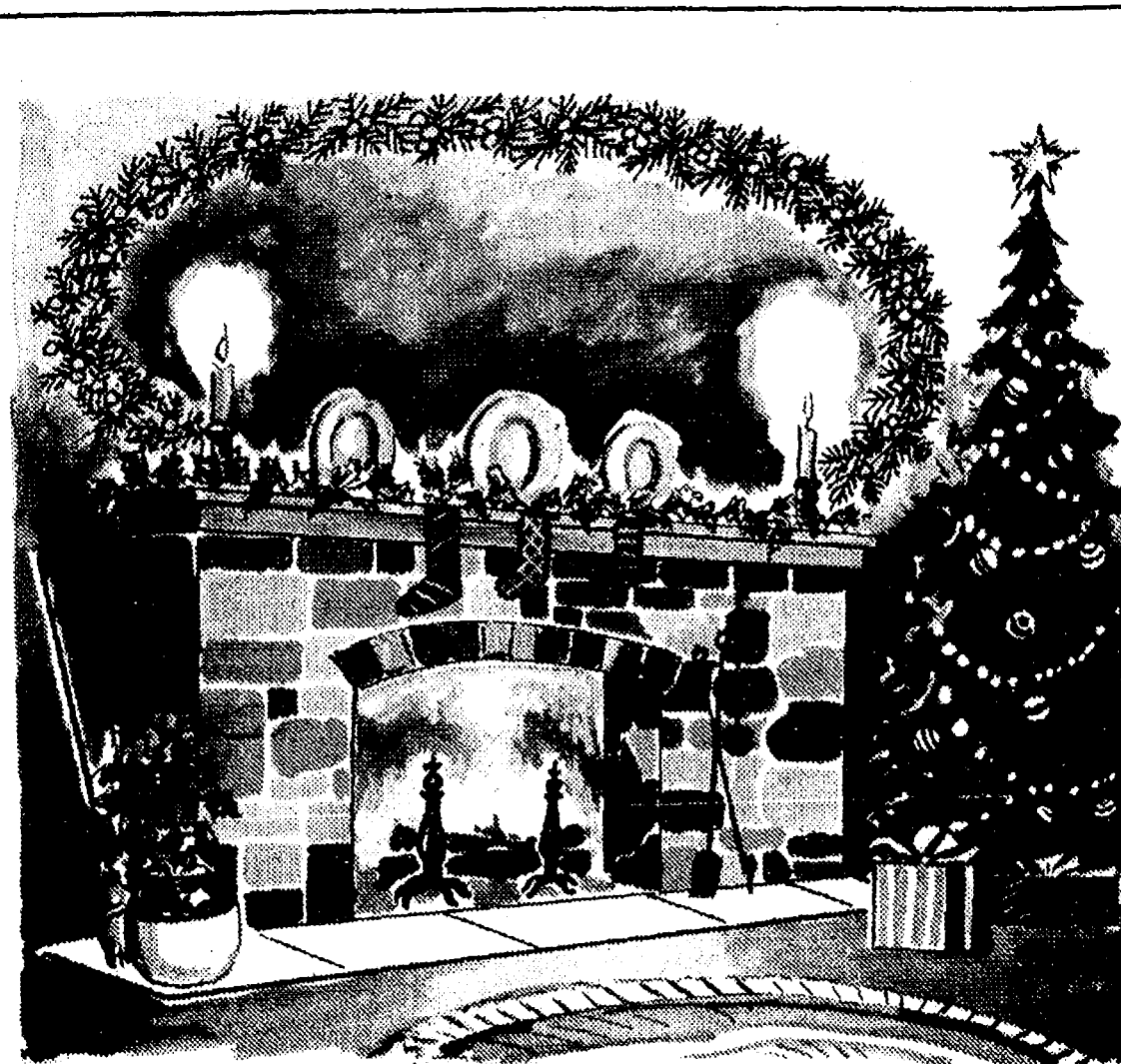
## O Most Holy Child

As we rejoice in the miracle of  
His birth, may you be blessed  
with the glories of the season.  
To all, go our heartfelt thanks.



*Friends caring  
for friends*

**MERCY HOSPITAL**



## Merry Christmas

May your Christmas celebration be trimmed  
with all things bright and beautiful. Let our  
thanks decorate your holidays.

**Dawson's**





## Gloria in Excelsis Deo!

May you bask in the warmth of His eternal love.

From All Of Us At The  
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## Merry Motoring!

Hope you have  
the best Christmas  
on wheels!



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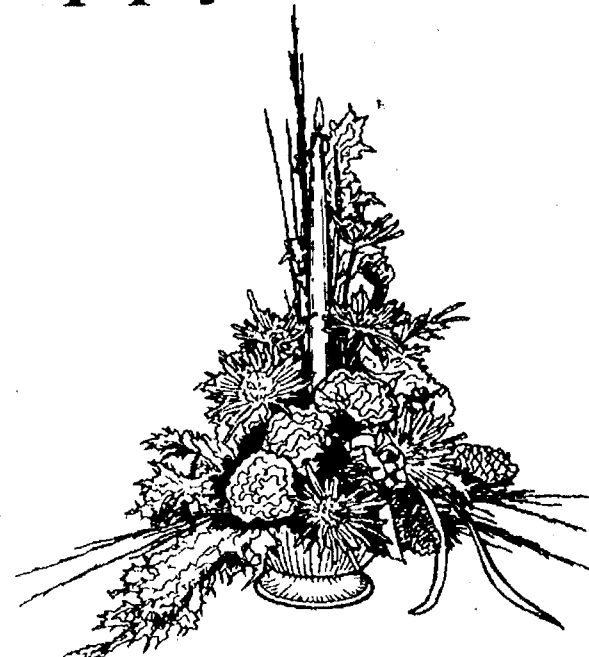
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## Happy Holidays!



*Have a Safe  
And  
Happy Holiday*

Tom, Laura, Andrea, Joell & Valorie Schans  
Dorothy, Joyce & Barbara

**Main Street Florals**



**CHRISTMAS PUPPIES?** — There may be an adorable puppy at the county animal shelter who will make a wonderful Christmas gift. The shelter, located next to the Eagles Club on M-72 East, will be open Thursday, Dec. 24.

### Foster Grandparents Needed in County

The Foster Grandparent Program, sponsored by Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc., is seeking new volunteers for the program. To be eligible for the Foster Grandparent Program, a person must be at least 60 years old and meet an income guideline of \$6,700 annual income for a household of one and \$9,050 for a household of two persons.

Foster Grandparents serve 20 hours per week working with special or exceptional needs children on a one-to-one basis. Grandparents usually work in elementary schools, day care centers, ISD schools or AIS homes. The main goal of the program is developing a helping, loving relationship between the older person and the children.

Foster Grandparents receive a non-taxable stipend of \$2.20 per hour, transportation reimbursement and one meal daily. This money does not affect social security or public assistance.

If you are interested in being a Foster Grandparent, please call 517/356-3474 or write to: Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc., 2373 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707.

### Proposed Bill Could Affect Nursing Program

In response to the recently introduced House Bill No. 4911, which abolishes two levels of nursing education, the Michigan Organization for the Advancement of Associates Degree Nursing (Michigan-OAADN) hosted an informational session during the annual Fall Meeting, November 5, 1987, at Oakland Community College, Highland Lakes Campus to discuss the impact of such a bill on the health care of Michigan's residents.

Katherine Grosser, Director of Health Occupations at Kirtland Community College, actively supports the current licensing structure and firmly believes, "that all levels of nursing education are needed to provide quality care at affordable costs." Graduates from Kirtland's two nursing programs supply 27-34% of the registered nursing staff in area hospitals, and 26-60% of the licensed practical nursing staff.

Anyone interested in additional information regarding this bill and its impact on our current health care system should contact Katherine Grosser, Executive Committee member - MOAADN, P.O. Box 3031, Gaylord, MI 49735.

## It's Christmas Everywhere!



Celebrate with those you love.

**AuSable Woodworking**

Frederic

## On Dasher! On Dancer!

Merry Christmas to all...  
and to all a grand holiday!

**LeRoy & Sally Papendick**



...for hope is born again today



May you bask in the glory  
of His eternal love.

John, Kathy & Family

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## Help your kids to just say no.

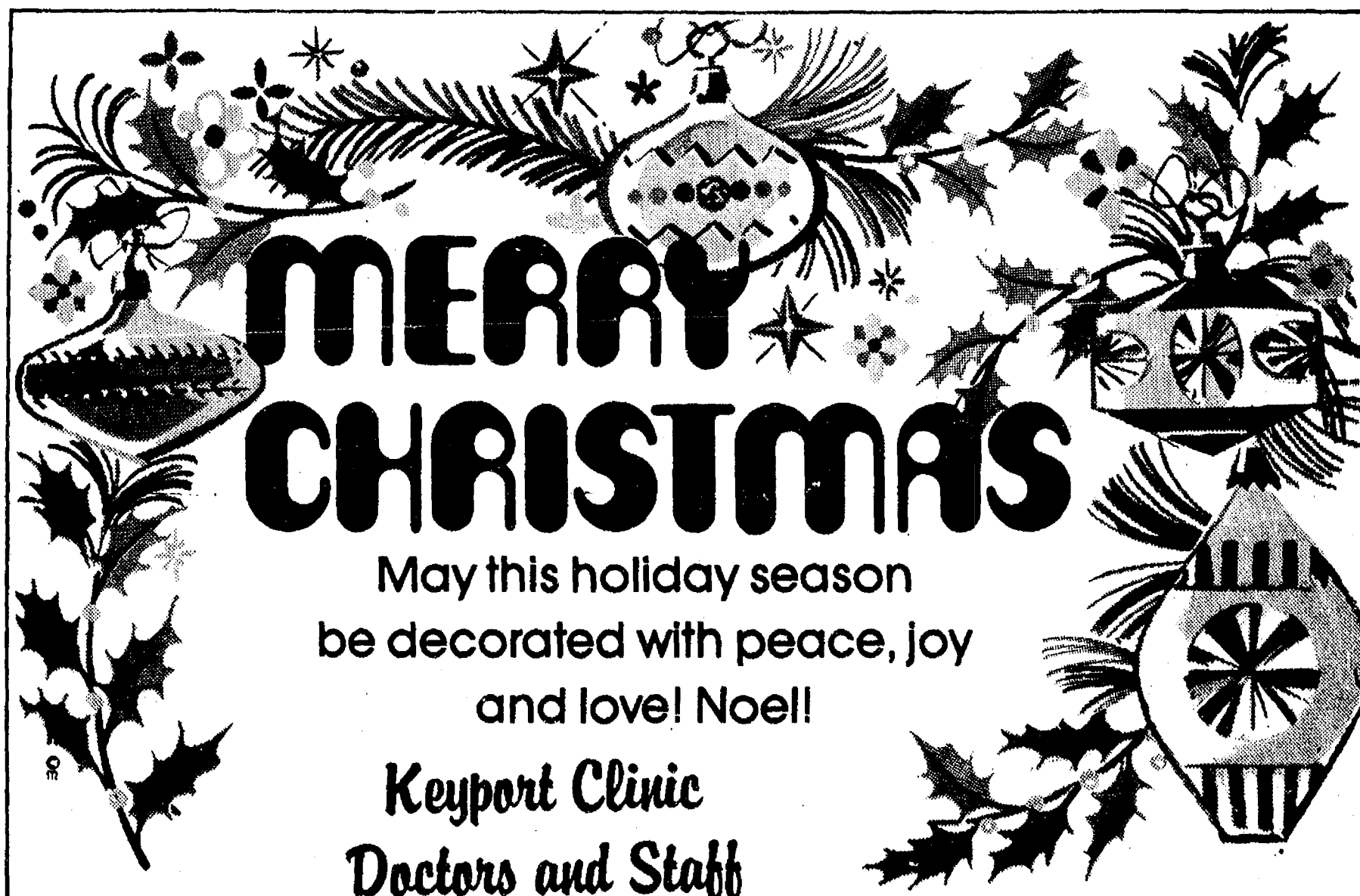


A public service of this publication and the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

May this holiday season  
be decorated with peace, joy  
and love! Noel!

**Keyport Clinic  
Doctors and Staff**





## ... about your Social Security

A recent Social Security study showed that Social Security has become the primary source of income for the elderly. It accounts for half or more of the income of 62 percent of elderly benefi-

ciaries and is the only source of income for one in seven.

These were the facts that appeared in the press recently as the study was released. What went largely unnoticed, however, were

the facts showing that the goal of having everybody using Social Security as a base on which to build retirement income is being approached.

The study stated that in

the early days of the program, only 44 percent of married couples and 37 percent of single persons had income from assets they owned. Only 17 percent of married couples and 13 percent of single people had employer pensions. By 1982, newly retired workers were twice as likely to have income from assets and more than three times as likely to have employer pensions.

The study noted recent developments that may mean that this is the wave of the future and that Social Security will play an increasingly lesser role in providing retirement income. These include recent changes in the Social Security law, higher wage levels, broader pension coverage, increased labor force participation among married women, and the expansion of

individual retirement accounts (IRAs) and employer-subsidized savings plans.

A Social Security representative is at the Courthouse in Grayling the first and third Tuesday of each month. Most Social Security business can be handled by telephone. The number of the Traverse City office is 616/946-8360.



**Sport fans and friends,**  
may this season realize all  
your goals. From our team  
to yours, healthiest wishes!

**R & H Sports**



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## Season's Greetings

We hope this season of cheer holds lots of good times and happy surprises in store for you. Thanks.

**Grayling Insurance Agency**  
Ann & Jill



## HOLIDAY BLESSINGS!

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## County Receives \$383 From Commercial Forests

More than \$1.56 million has been received by 64 counties from the State of Michigan this month, as a result of participation in Commercial Forest Act program, the Department of Natural Resources has reported. The payments represent the State's portion of taxes payable to local governments. Crawford County received \$383.82 for 548.31 acres.

Under Michigan law, private land enrolled under the Commercial Forest Act is not subject to general property taxes. Instead, commercial forest landowners pay 30 cents per acre to the local governmental unit, and the State pays the local government an additional 70 cents for each acre enrolled.

Permits must first be obtained from the DNR in order to harvest timber on enrolled lands. Following harvest of timber products from the land, the owner pays a "yield tax" equal to 10 percent of the stumpage value, which the State then turns over to the township.

"Staff of both DNR Forest Management and Real Estate divisions administer portions of the "Commercial Forest Act program," said Jay Schafer of Real Estate Division. "Forest Management Division provides advice and technical assistance to commercial forest landowners. The law requires that all commercial forest lands enrolled in the program — 2,235,511 acres this year — be open to public hunting and fishing and managed solely for timber production."

"If the land is taken out of the program," Schafer said, "The owner pays a withdrawal fee of 10 percent of the value of the standing marketable forest products, plus a tax penalty if the land has not been enrolled under the act for at least 20 years."

## Quilt Guild Holds Christmas Season Party

The AuSable Quilt Guild members opened the Christmas season with a party on December 3rd.

Barbara Porter of Roscommon opened her Country Club Estates home for the all day affair. The monthly business meeting was shortened allowing plenty of time for the fun activities on the agenda. The White Elephant game was hilarious and the Secret Sister gift exchange something special. Delicious food and punch was served buffet style. Everyone agreed it was a festive get together for this very active group of ladies.

## Smell Survey

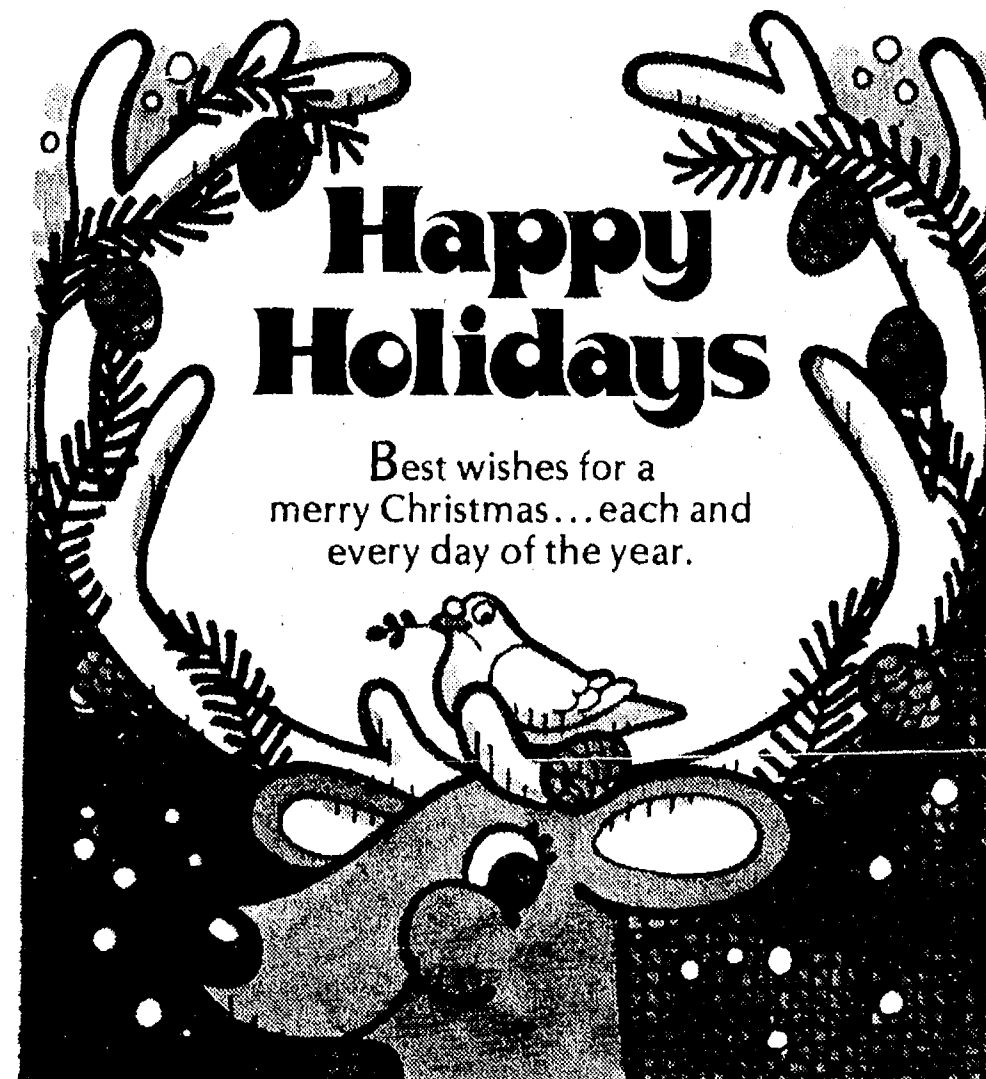
According to an international smell survey, smokers have a blunted response to odor quality and generally find unpleasant odors to be less unpleasant than non-smokers do, says National Geographic.



*Merry Christmas*

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## Happy Holidays

Best wishes for a merry Christmas...each and every day of the year.

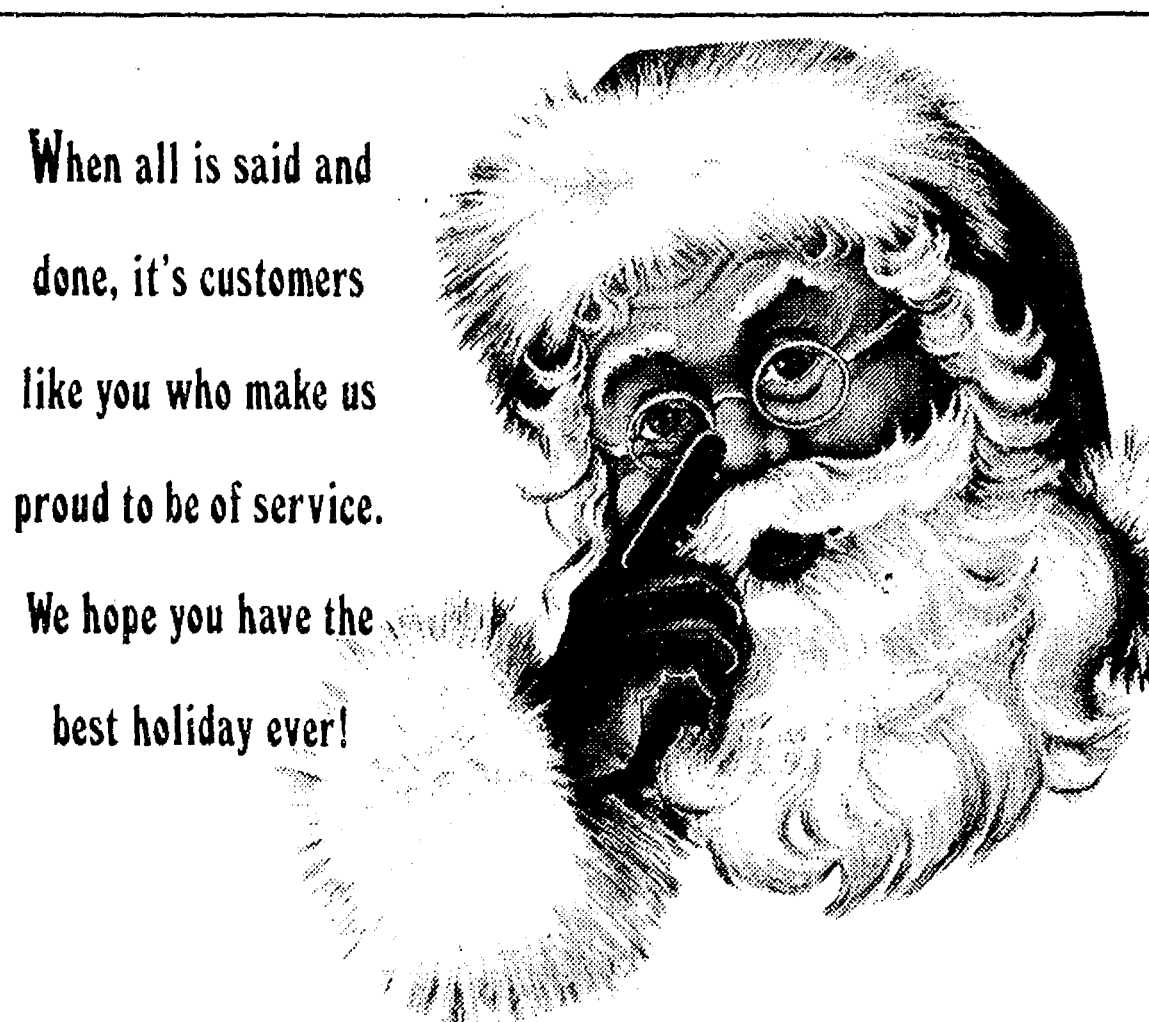
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Joy to the world, and to all, a holiday blessed with love.

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**McDonald's of Grayling**



## Merry Christmas

So cares and joys abound, as seasons fleet.  
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A very special "thank you" to all.





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**STUDENT OF THE MONTH** — GMS nominees for November Student of the Month are (front) Lloyd Anderson, Gary Sheldon, Terry Johnson, Bruce Dale, Georgette Feldhauser, Suzy Lovely, Danyell Galvani, Heather Bindschatel, Jennifer Fassinger, Dusty Gammon, (back) Sonja Widrig, Sara Priebe, Heidi Craigie, Jessica Brown, Valorie Schans, Michelle Horning, Helen Denno, Tammy Rock, Samantha Vollmer, Julie Gingerich, Absent Jason Puls and Kim Haske.

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**STUDENT OF THE MONTH** — GMS nominees for October Student of the Month are (front, L-R) Pat Nolan, Lenny Kraus, Jeff Englund, Tom Balmes, Kenny Kent, Christine Dana, Billie Jo Sims, (back) Chris Collen, Tasha Mowrey, Michelle Burcham, Aaron Raymond, Angie Harland, Andrea Austin, Casie Hartwick, Amy Vandecar, (middle row) Derrick Abeare, Nicole Parker, Greg Mesack, Amanda Bankert, Amy Collins, Cindy Maule, and Sandra Pittman.

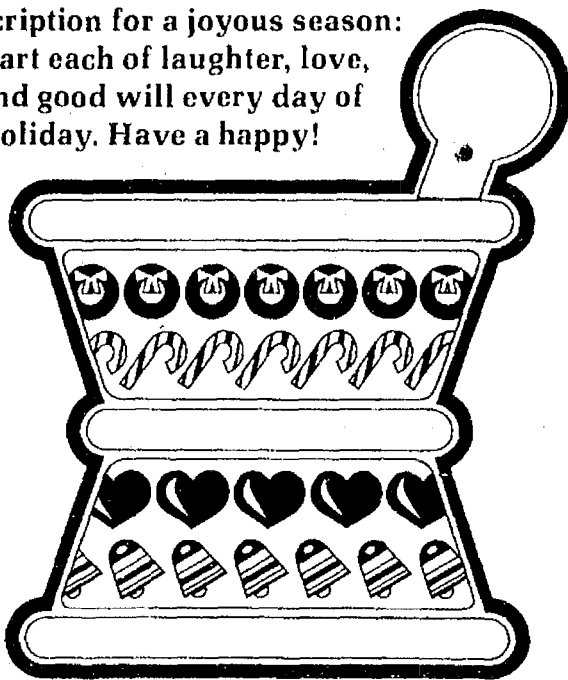


**Season's Greetings**

Judge and Mrs. Alton T. Davis & Family

Our prescription for a joyous season:  
Take 1 part each of laughter, love,  
peace and good will every day of  
the holiday. Have a happy!

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Merry Christmas

### Granddaughter Wins State Pageant Award

Brenda Bolin, 12, daughter of Pam and Gordon Bogart of Edmore, MI, and granddaughter of Irene and Dale Peterson, Grayling, a student at Montabelle Middle School, was crowned Miss Michigan American Pre-Teen Hostess at the state pageant which was held Oct. 31, 1987, at the Plymouth Hilton Inn.

The pageant, which was open to outstanding girls ages 8 through 12 from the state, gives the girls an opportunity to meet new friends and to perform on stage in front of an audience, thereby developing poise and self-confidence. Contestants selected to compete in the state pageant are outstanding in their schools, communities, and/or churches.

Bolin and other pre-teen contestants were judged on talent or speech, interview, interview appearance, and appearance on stage in even-

ing wear. In addition to her crown, banner, trophy and flowers, Bolin, who was also Miss Michigan American Pre-Teen 5th runner-up, received a cash award. She will represent her state as Pre-Teen Hostess and return to the 1988 state pageant as guest of honor and to crown the 1988 Pre-Teen Hostess.

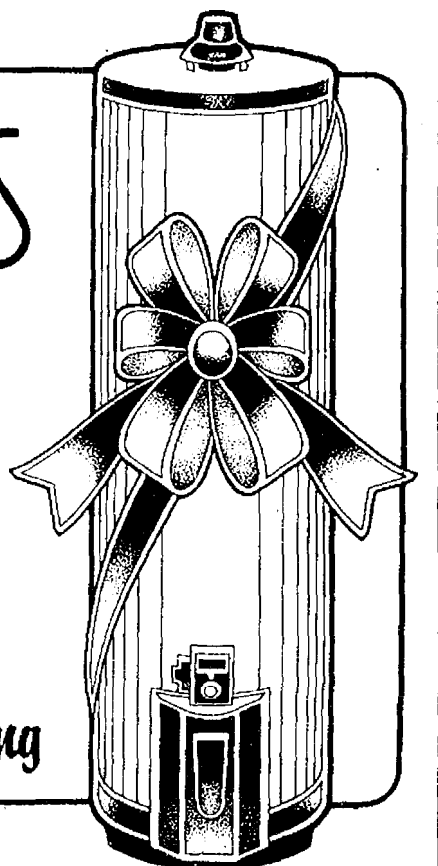


Brenda Bolin

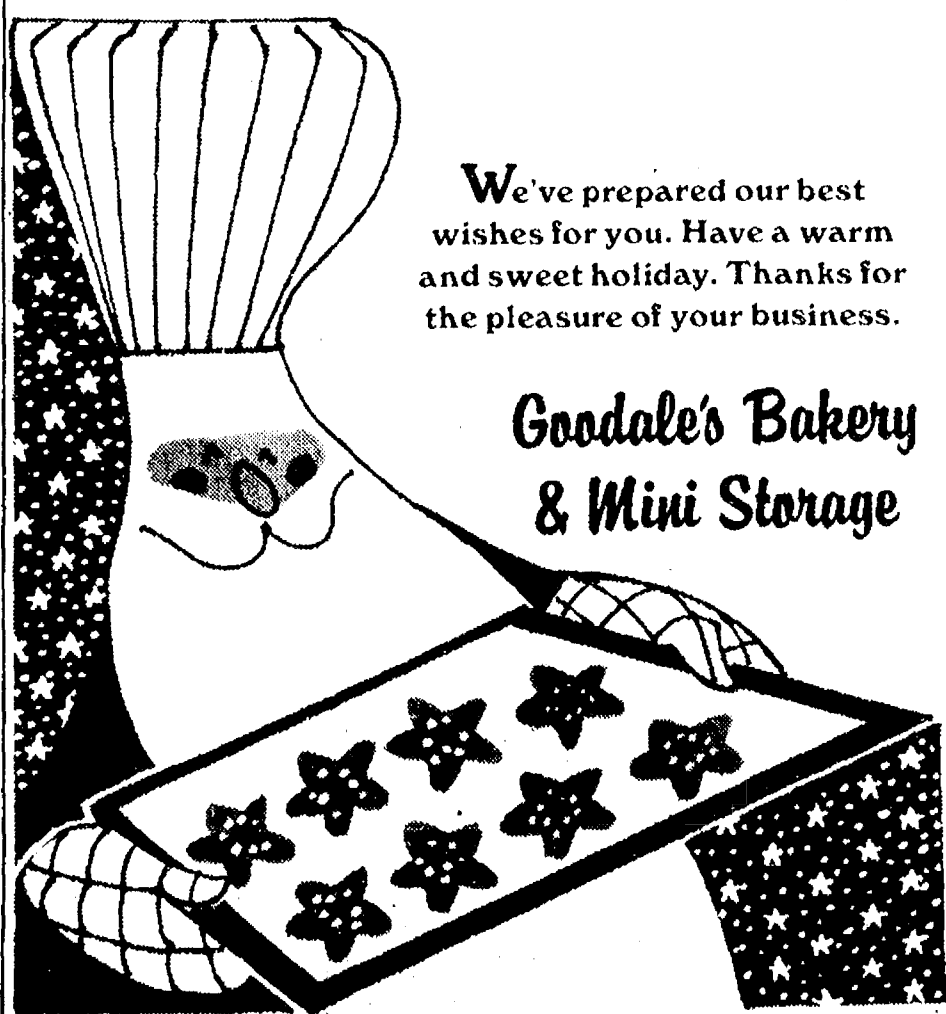
**GREETINGS**

May your  
Christmas be  
aglow in  
the spirit of  
joy and peace.

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**Merry Christmas**



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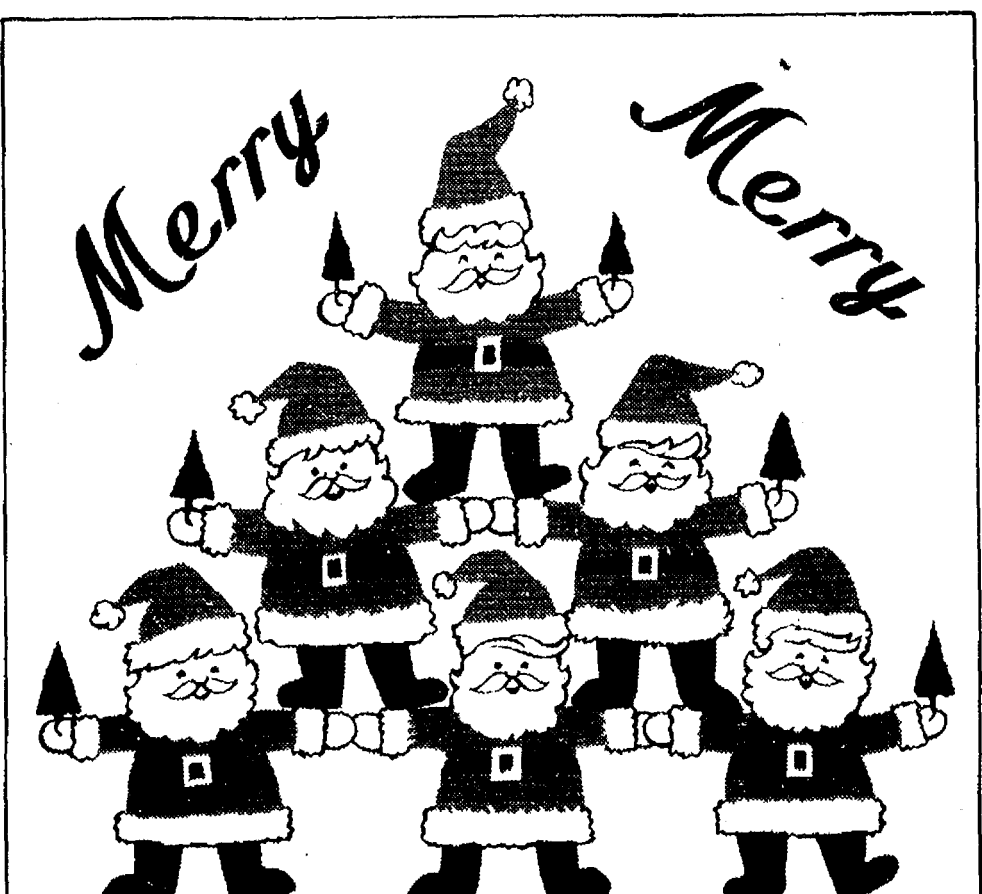
Now and throughout the year,  
we wish you 366 days of Yuletide cheer!



**Happy Holidays**

Arlen & Bonny Huffman,  
Les Murray, & Ted Fox

Pap's Ready Mix  
Roscommon



Our entire staff would like to wish you a merry, magical Christmas.

Jack Millikin Inc.



## St. Francis Emphasizes Giving To The Community

By Don Gels

At a meeting in Gaylord recently the Rev. Bishop Richard Emrich of the Diocese of Detroit met with Episcopalians of that city and Grayling for the purpose of establishing missions in those two cities.

That statement appeared in an article in the Crawford County Avalanche on November 1, 1986. It was followed two weeks later by a story which told of the first service of the St. Francis Episcopal Mission in the Grayling Evangelical Lutheran Church on Ionia Street.

Prior to those news articles, however, was an effort by a group of local Episcopalians who gathered in 1949 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Johnson. The group met there for some time but a church history indicates that the venture failed and the individuals drifted to a church at Houghton Lake.

In December of 1956 an organizational meeting of the members resulted in the appointment of Dr. C.G. Clippert as chairman of the Bishop's Committee. Nels Olson was named secretary of that committee and Fred Bear, the treasurer. Other members of that committee were James H. Brown and Charles M. Kroll. The church was officially admitted to the diocese in January of 1957 and the letter of admission was read to the congregation by Rev. Sidney Rood of Houghton Lake who led the church until the Rev. Colin Campbell came to the church on July 21, 1957. He also took over the leadership of the Gaylord church.

Rev. Campbell served the church until 1963 and under his leadership land was purchased as the site of the present edifice on M-72 West. In August of 1958 an outdoor service was celebrated on the site to mark the dedication. The purchase was made in February of that year by means of a land contract. On Sunday, November 2, 1958, the land contract covering five acres of land was burned to celebrate the fact that it was paid in full.

On June 1, 1961, ground breaking for a new church was held with Dr. Clippert turning the first shovelful and Mrs. William MacNeven, oldest member of the congregation also participating.

On Sunday, September 30, 1961, the first service was held in the new church. In 1963 Rev. Campbell was called to a church in Ann Arbor and he was replaced by Rev. Charles A. McMahon, who served until 1966. In July of 1964 the Women of the Church opened the Thrift Shop on Peninsular Avenue.

Rev. McMahon left the local church to serve as a chaplain in the U.S. Marines and was succeeded by the Rev. J.R.C. Patterson. In November of 1966 ground was broken for a new parish house to be erected as an addition to the present church structure. It was dedicated in February of 1967.

In 1970 Rev. Patterson, who was affectionately known as Father "Pat", left Grayling to assume an appointment in Bay City. He was succeeded that year by Rev. John G. Carlton who came to the church from Warren, Michigan. During his tenure, the parking lot was finished and the Thrift Shop reopened at its present location on M-72 East.

Rev. Carlton retired in 1974, and he was followed by the Rev. Walter Dawson who came to Grayling from East Lansing. While here, at the annual summer meeting in June of 1976, he burned the mortgage. In 1980 he left Grayling but history does not record his new church. After an eight month vacancy, Rev. Derik Roy Jr. came to the church and

presently serves as its pastor.

He commented recently that in the past year or two an addition and renovation of the church has been completed. It included, he said, offices, classroom space and the entire roof structure. He said that the church is blessed with many children and there is much emphasis on children and youth programs. He said, "recently we have created a prison ministry so that we now have a person that visits regularly and works with people in the County Jail." He said that David Ross is the prison chaplain who through the church can be given a stipend so that he can do it.

Rev. Roy said that the Thrift Shop continues to be successfully operated and he emphasized that at any time a person who does not have sufficient funds needs clothing it is furnished free of charge. He noted that often the shop reclothes those who have been burned out. In addition the shop does show a good profit which helps the church, he noted.

"One of the main thrusts of our church is to emphasize the love of God", he said. The shop, prison ministry and the recently begun New Life Community Services help to carry out that theme.

"Although it may seem like a lofty goal, we are working toward 50/50 giving," Rev. Roy said. That means that for every dollar we take in half goes to the church and half goes to help the community or world, he said. He commented that we believe that we should spend as much on others as we do on ourselves.

He noted that the church is still a mission church thus they still receive some financial assistance from the diocese. "We have decreased the amount received from the diocese but ultimately our goal is to eliminate the assistance," he noted.

Another important community service emphasized by Rev. Roy is the New Life Community Services branch. He noted that the prison ministry is a part of that service but it includes general counseling services, educational help and employment counseling.

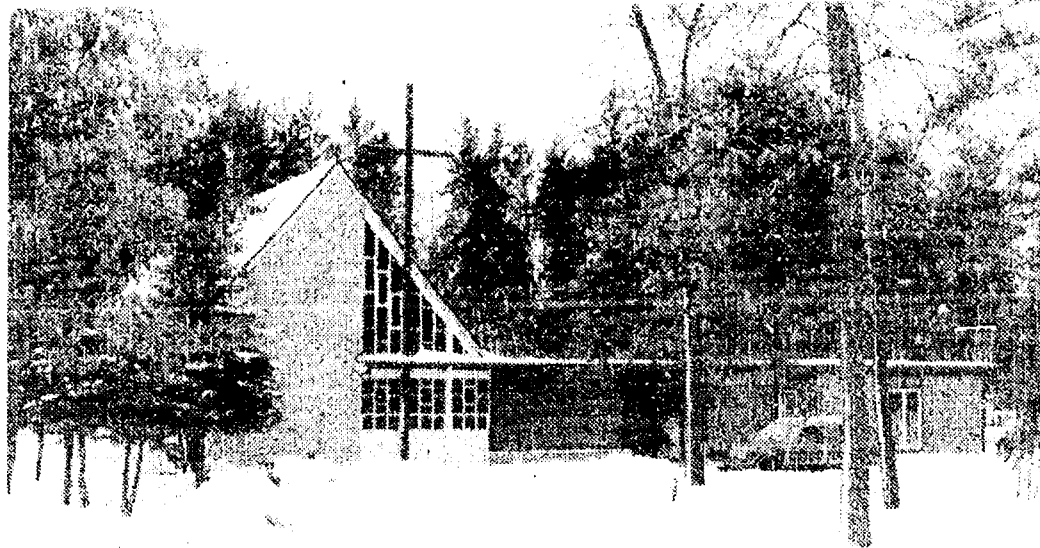
Recently the New Life Community Services obtained a grant from the Michigan Department of Corrections to work with counseling, education and work placement of prison inmates in the area. The grant enabled the church to employ Bob Smock as the director of the program.

Rev. Roy also pointed out that the church sponsors the New Life Hour on WGRY Radio each Sunday from 8:06 to 9 a.m. The program includes Christian contemporary music and dialogue on Christian living.

The church membership presently consists of 65 family units, Rev. Roy said with the average Sunday attendance at services being about 90 people. The eldest members of the church are Helen Clippert and Gladys Mumford, he said.

It is obvious that the activities at the church are ongoing and continuous because the parking lot generally has a large share of vehicles parked there. On investigation inside one finds a host of meetings that take place including single parents, youth classes and community functions.

The church mission statement sums up the activities. It is as follows: "Submitting wholly to God, our mission is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to find the unchurched, build a loving family, promote fellowship, identify gifts and talents within the church body and strengthen our spiritual growth and joyful witness of the Lord."



PRESENT CHURCH — St. Francis Episcopal Church located on M-72 West.

## Magistrate

The following persons appeared before Irene Wyman, Magistrate, between November 23, 1987, and December 4, 1987:

Mladen Milenkovic, of Fraser, and Anton Meglen, of Riverview, both were charged with "Make Use of an Artificial Light to Hunt Deer" and were assessed fine and costs of \$208 each and also both "Shall not secure a hunting license of any kind during the remainder of the year of conviction nor during the next calendar year."

Douglas Murray Ford, of Grand Blanc, paid fines of \$48 for a charge of "Hunt Game without Hunter's Orange."

Paul Floyd Boman, of Berkley, paid fines of \$25 for a charge of "Motor Vehicle in a Closed Area."

Maurice Earl Harvey, of Battle Creek, paid fines of \$58 for "Uncased Gun in a Motor Vehicle."

John Henry Wilson, of Warren, paid fines of \$48 for a charge of "Shine during Prohibited Area."

James T. Ollis, of Taylor, paid fines of \$108 for a charge of "Possess a loaded gun in motor vehicle."

John Wellington Welter of Tipton, Mi. was charged with "Possess Christmas tree in November without a receipt" and paid fine and costs of \$65 and \$20 restitution on the tree.

Brian Graham Kelly, of Taylor, paid fines of \$58 for a charge of "Hunt Permanent Tree Stand - No name and address."

GaryJo Peters, of Royal Oak, paid fines of \$58 for a charge of "Transport uncased gun in motor vehicle."

David Stuart Fettes, of Madison Hgts., paid fines of \$108 for "Failed to tag deer immediately."

Ronnie Lee Wensey, of

Alma, paid fines of \$48 for "Fail to wear Hunter's orange."

Eugene Richard Lobinger, of Grayling, paid fines of \$108 for a charge of "Use semi-automatic rifle capable of holding more than 6 rounds in chamber and magazine."

Sennett J. Sherwood, of Mio, paid fines of \$58 for "Uncased gun in motor vehicle."

Bobby Ray Studdard, of Taylor, paid fines of \$58 for a charge of "Transport uncased gun in motor vehicle."

James Andrew Jackson, II, of Berkley, paid fines of \$88 for a charge of "Possess/Transport bow without bow hunting license."

Patrick Lloyd O'Neil, of Gladwin, paid fines of \$25 for a charge of "Unregistered ORV."

Jerry David Kaupp, of Grand Blanc, was charged with "Transport loaded gun in motor vehicle" and paid fine and costs of \$108.

Robert Steven Peters, of Rochester, paid fines and costs of \$58 for "Transport uncased gun in vehicle."

John Earl McLeod, of Roscommon, paid fines of \$58 for

a charge of "Transport uncased gun in vehicle."



SEASON'S BEST

All the joy a wish can bring because our friends mean everything.

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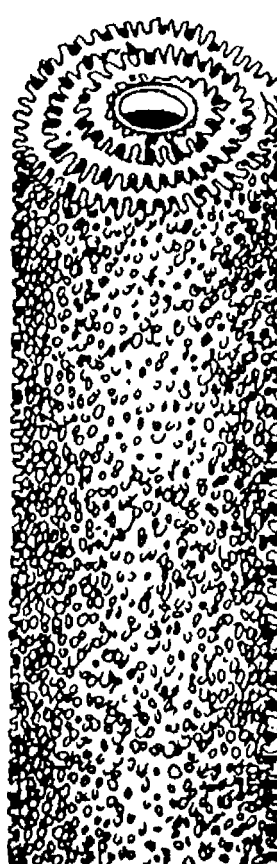


MERRY CHRISTMAS

May every day of this holiday be filled with joy.

Linda Stephens

## Pile On the Cheer!



Jolly  
good wishes  
for a very special  
holiday. May you experience all the joys of the season!

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There is a Santa Claus

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He will continue to make glad  
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— Francis Pharcellus Church

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# Proper Care Allows Children To Play Outside in Winter

"Can I go out and play, Mom?"  
How often do mothers hear that question during the winter months?

When your child asks to play outside in winter weather, the first question you probably ask yourself is,

"What's the temperature?" If the temperature seems reasonable and it's not storming, you probably say yes. Or, if the temperature is very low, you probably say no.

There are many other factors, however, that should influence your decision to allow your child to play outside.

You need to consider not only the temperature, but also the wind chill, the type of day, whether it is snowing and how hard, and the age and activity level of the child before they make the decision to allow play out of doors.

All too often, the temperature alone is not an accurate indicator of the actual effect of the cold. Another thing to consider is whether the sun is shining. A sunny winter day will feel warmer than a cloudy one.

The wind chill index is another critical factor to consider. The wind chill index takes into account the effect of wind on the temperature. For example, at a temperature of 20 degrees F, a 10 mile-per-hour wind will produce an equivalent temperature of 3 degrees; at 20 miles per hour, -10 degrees; at 35 miles per hour, -20 degrees.

Make sure the child is dressed appropriately. Wind-resistant and water-repellent clothing is essential. Layer the clothing — put on long underwear under warm slacks or leggings and long-sleeved shirts or a sweater under a jacket. The child should wear socks and insulated boots or boots over shoes. A head covering is essential.



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May blessings surround you at Christmas. We extend greetings and profound thanks to all.



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## Season's Greetings

Warm wishes for the holiday season. May it glow with love and joy.

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**HO HO HOTLINE** — Edna Dery (L) and Gladys Vollmer talk to children on the line to the North Pole. The Ho Ho Hotline is open from 2-5 p.m. to Dec. 24. Call 348-8283. On Dec. 26-27 from 2-4 p.m. children can call Santa to say "Thank You."



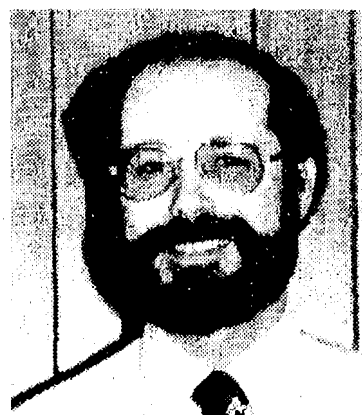
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Wishing peace, love and happiness for you and yours.

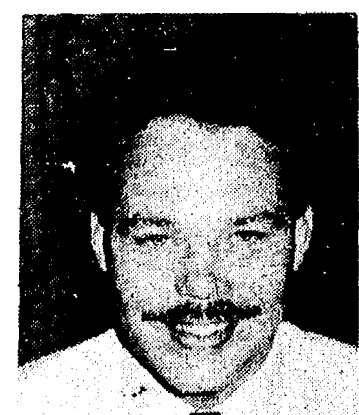
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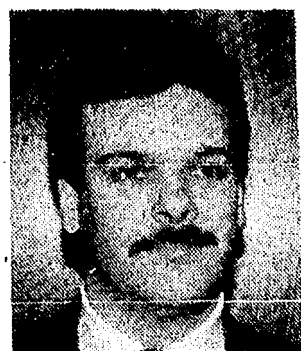
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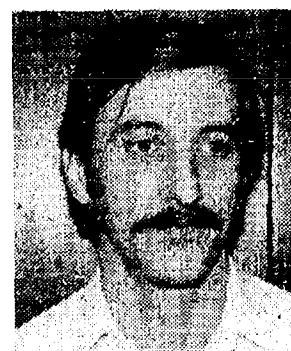
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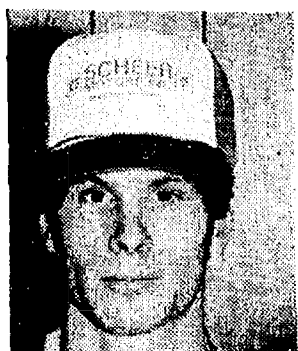
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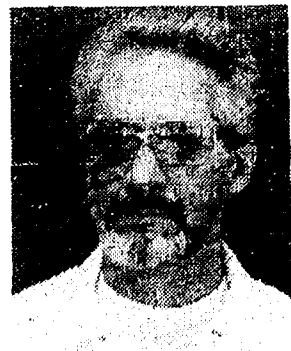
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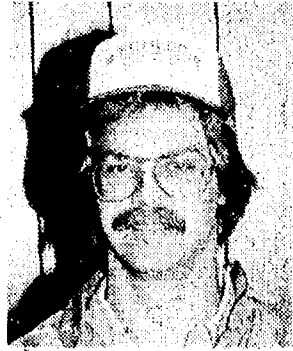
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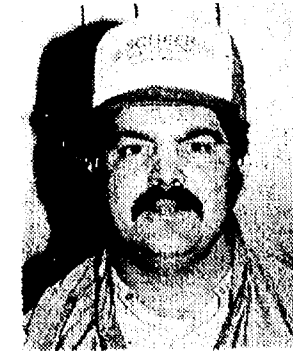
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# Local McDonald's Near Top of Area Chain

In the few seconds it takes to read this sentence, more than 300 McDonald's hamburgers will have hit the grill somewhere in the world.

That sentence began a story in the Reader's Digest magazine this month that detailed the amazing history of that company. Locally the history is equally fascinating because the figures on the amount of food is difficult for the average person to comprehend.

To fully appreciate the local company and its volume one must be taken back to the early days of the national concern. The McDonald brothers who began the company were not interested in managing a national chain and so they sold their interest to Ray Kroc in 1961 for \$2.7 million. When Kroc died in 1984 he was worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

McDonald's is the largest employer of first time job seekers anywhere and by the year 2000, one out of every five people in the U.S. will have worked in some capacity at one of the stores, according to the Reader's Digest story.

According to the Grayling McDonald's Manager, Phil Weiler, there are 9,600 stores in the world and 7,744 stores in the U.S. He said that a new store is opened every 18 hours and the combined sales for every store reaches 19 million hamburgers per day. Since its founding the stores have sold an estimated 65 billion hamburgers, he noted.

Locally the store is owned by Marks Management Corp. out of Traverse City who hold a ten store franchise. The stores in the chain include two in Traverse City, Ludington, Cadillac, Kalkaska, Gaylord, Petoskey, Charlevoix, Big Rapids and Grayling. The name Marks comes from the five different people who founded the company. The first store in the chain is located at Gaylord with the first store

in Traverse City a near second, Weiler said.

Since its beginning in 1976, Weiler estimated that 5-6 million hamburgers have been sold here. He emphasized that the figure reflects only hamburgers and not any other product such as the Big Mac.

The Reader's Digest story emphasized Kroc's philosophy that "it is good business to be civic minded." Every McDonald's has some sort of program of community involvement. Locally, Weiler said, they conduct birthday parties, loan out the orange bowl for events, help out with the Michigan State Police with the Operation Care in the expressway rest area by donating items, hot cake dinners for senior citizens on Wednesday nights between 5 and 7 p.m., store tours, shared profit ticket sales, floats in various parades including the McDonald's characters like Hamburglar, balloon launches for elementary kids and participation in fund raisers such as the Special Olympics and Muscular Dystrophy fund drives.

Weiler said that regularly the restaurant holds a special price event to benefit the Ronald McDonald's Houses. The facilities he said are located adjacent to children's hospitals where parents are housed so that they can be near the children. Thus far in Michigan there are two houses, one at Ann Arbor and another at Grand Rapids, he said. Eventually the plans call for one at Lansing as well, he noted.

One question that he has been asked frequently is whether there is in fact a Hamburger University? Weiler said that it does indeed exist and is a very important site for management training. Everyone in the decision making process is required to attend the university, he commented. The campus located at Oak Brook, Illinois, is situated on 80 acres. It contains in addition to the home office the classrooms that are loaded with equipment including computers. Thus far more than 30,000 students have received their "Bachelor of Hamburgerology" degrees. There are extension universities in other countries, he observed.

Weiler said that classes at the university start at the first assistant manager's level and continues to the supervisor's level and on up. The courses last for two weeks, he said with eight hour class days. It actually is a Hyatt Regency Hotel that McDonald's took over so it is like a campus complete with cafeteria, tennis courts and dormitory.

Much new product development takes place there as well, Weiler said where a chef experiments with such things as the sauces that accompany the Chicken McNuggets. The pre-packaged salads were another result of the work there, he noted.

Of course, as far as new product is concerned, employees are asked to dream up ideas, Weiler said. The Big Mac and Fillet of Fish are examples of those developed by individual operators, he commented. They just had an idea and "ran it by" McDonald's people, he said. They then take over and refine it as well as take public opinion surveys to determine whether it will be appealing.

The store in Grayling rates at the top of the 10 stores in the local chain during the summer, Weiler said. Tourists and the National Guard are the main reason that the store raises from second or third during the winter to the top store. He noted that weekends are very important because tourists and guards stop on the way up and on the way home.

The first store manager Bob Sutherland served from 1976 until 1979, Weiler said. He now owns three stores of his own in San Diego. He was followed by Dean Molnar who managed the Grayling store until 1985 when he

transferred to the Petoskey store. At that point Weiler took over and remains the manager.

The store employs 70-75 people during the winter and averages about 100 during the summer. As was noted earlier, McDonald's is noted for giving people their first jobs and the local store is no exception, Weiler said. He noted too that seniors are also welcome to apply and presently a hostess helps families out with their children, carries trays if they have their hands full and takes care of the kids where necessary. "She serves as a good will ambassador out front," he said.

Weiler paid tribute to the assistant managers on the

staff when he explained that they are vital to the operation. He said that each of them has a special responsibility such as scheduling the employees, hiring, orientation, training, ordering, quality guidelines. Ilene Wilson is the first assistant with the second assistants being Michele Moshier, Shannon Secord, Gerry Johnson and Joyce Stevens.

Unusual orders are really commonplace with the store, Weiler said. He said National Guard orders frequently cover an entire squad or at times a company. Fire Department orders when they are in the field are often large as are orders from the Red Cross when there is a catastrophe.

At the time of our interview there was an order pending for the next morning for 90 Egg McMuffins. Weiler said that the orders do set back normal service for a while. In one experience that he related during his first year at the store, a National Guard person ordered 60 Quarter Pounders with cheese, 60 large french fries and 60 chocolate shakes.

Often employees are complimented for their helpfulness and honesty, Weiler said. One lady from Kentucky left her son's jacket and her mittens at the store and they were mailed to her. She sent a letter of thanks to the employees and now always sends a Christmas card. Often rewards are offered which the employees decline. In one such case where a reward was turned down after returning a wallet to a lady, she hugged the employee and that was an ample reward the employee explained.

As parting examples of store volume, Weiler said that the store averages 7-8,000 pounds of hamburger a

month and 500 gallons of coke syrup. He said that the figure doubles during the summer months.

Weiler said that he tells his assistant managers, "Anybody can sell 60 cent hamburgers; it's the people business that brings them back." "Good service and a friendly atmosphere is the secret to a successful store," he said.

## Business

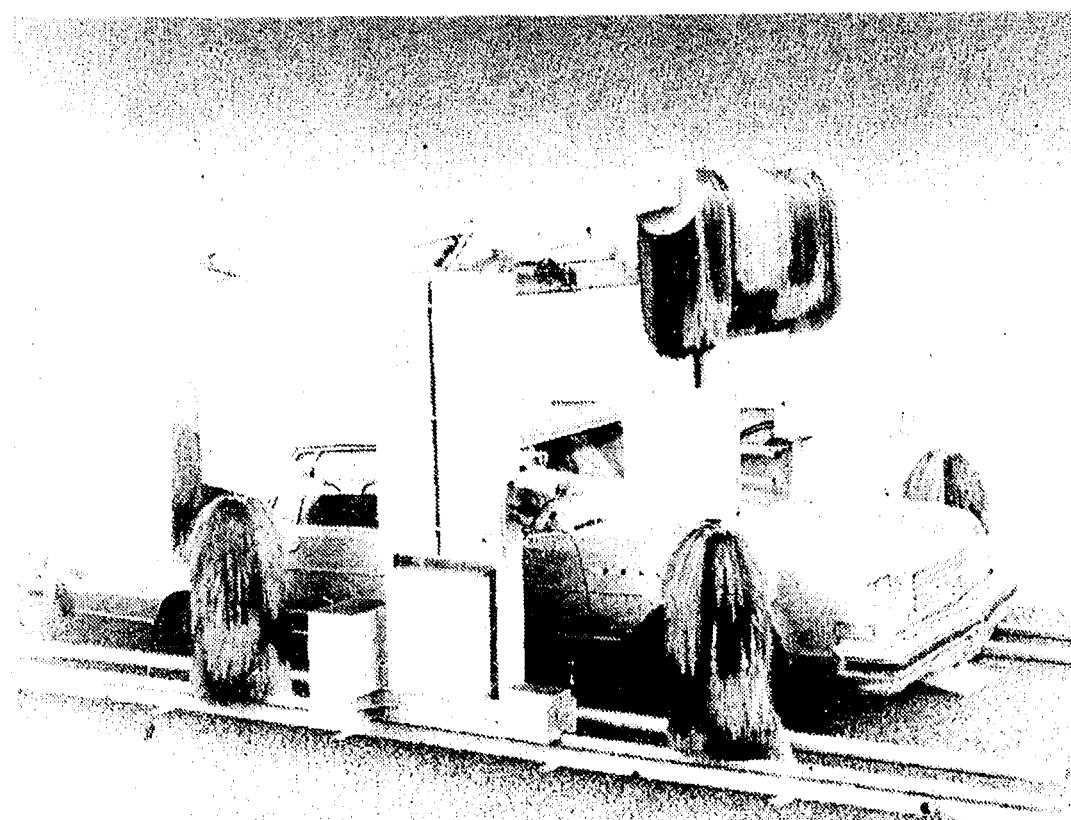
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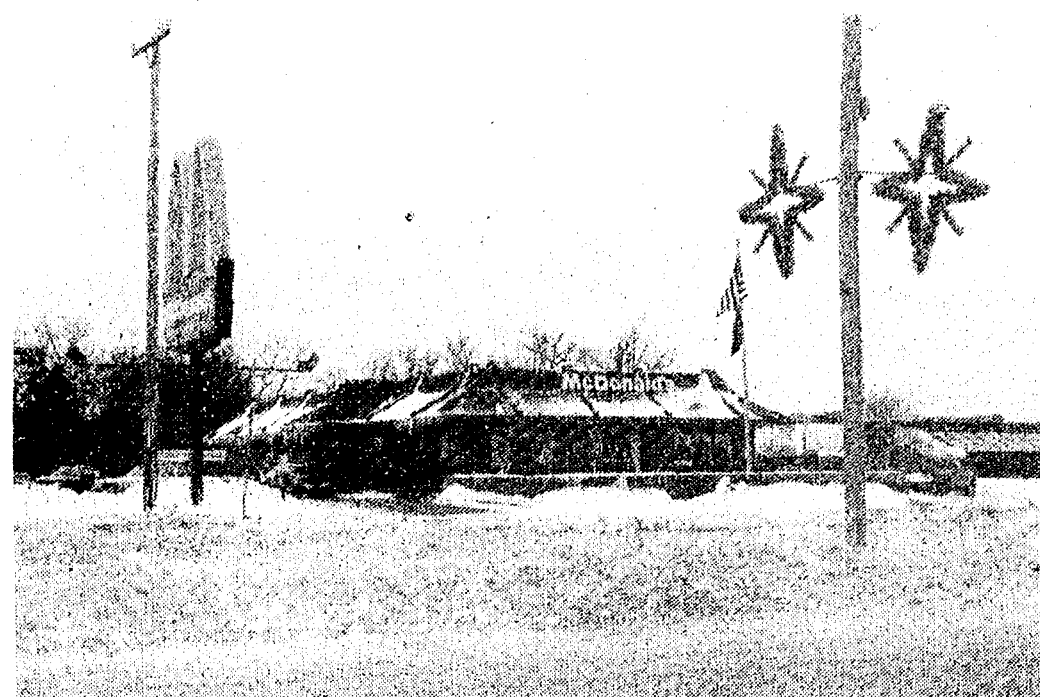
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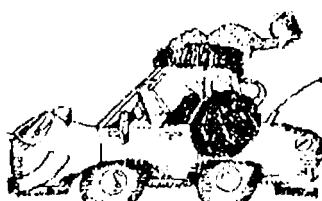
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### Barber Earns Ferris Honor

Teresa Barber, of Grayling, was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Ferris State College. Students must earn a 3.5 grade point average for at least 12 credit hours.

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